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To-morrow will be the last day before "Xmas," and you can make yourself happy by embracing the opportunity to inspect Weiler Bros'. grand "Seasonable Presents" and by the purchase of one at least, out of the

Hundreds of Xmas and New Year's Gifts.

The Greatest Variety, The Greatest Bargains and the Greatest Rush of Appreciative Buyers will be at

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Medical Examinations

The next Triennial Examination of the British Columbia Medical Council will take place in the City of Victoria, on

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Full particulars by applying to
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Money! Money! Money!

Cheques are now ready for all accounts against the

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And the undersigned will be obliged if all parties will call at his office

TO-MORROW

for the same.
CHAS. KENT,
Dec. 27. City Treasurer.

NOTICE.

In consequence of Monday, the 1st day of January, being a Statutory Holiday, a meeting of the Council will be held on Tuesday Evening, the 2nd of January, at 8 p.m.

By order,
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The Municipal Electors are requested to meet at the Council Chamber in the City Hall on Wednesday, the 3rd day of January, 1894, at 8 o'clock p.m., for the purpose of discussing civic affairs.

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Extraordinary Postoffice Robbery in Connecticut.

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Visit Jewett City Last Evening Ready for Business.

The Exploding Safe Wrecks the Building—Terrible Havoc Caused by the Flying Door — The Thieves Help Themselves Liberally — The Swag Pays for the Night's Work.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 27.—The boldest and most remarkable burglary in Connecticut in the last quarter of a century was perpetrated by expert metropolitan "cracksmen" last night in the postoffice at Jewett City, a large mill village in eastern Connecticut, on the line of the Norwich & Worcester railway. The robbers escaped with a big bundle of postage stamps and $1,000 in money and registered letters. It was 2 o'clock in the morning when the robbers touched off their gunpowder mine in the safe, and the crash of the explosion shook the town. A nightwatchman heard the robbers running away, but it was so dark they could not be seen. The robbers gained entrance to the postoffice by boring a hole through the doors. Then they padded the office windows and walls with thick canvas sacks to deaden the sound of their work, drilled holes in the safe, inserted enough powder to blow a dozen safes to pieces and touched it off. The massive safe door was blown entirely across the office and it crashed through an eight-inch-thick partition wall, carrying away most of the partition, and landed in one of the distant inner compartments of the building. The flying safe door also carried away the whole wall of glass-faced letter boxes, the ceiling and walls of the office, and ground them into a mass of debris, which it piled in one angle of another room. The force of the explosion lifted the entire office front clear from the ground and pitched it bodily into the street. There is no clue.

Columbian Postage Stamps.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 27.—The postal authorities of more than one foreign country will hail with satisfaction the close of the present year and the withdrawal from sale of the oblong Columbian postage stamps. More American letters have gone astray during the past few months in France and England than ever before, and this is attributable to the fact that a veritable craze for the possession of one of these monstrosities exists in both countries, so much so that many banks and large business houses have asked their American correspondents to use nothing but the old style of stamps.

May Create an Uproar.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—Lively times are expected at the fortieth annual meeting of the state teachers' association, which opened here to-day and will continue in session for four days, owing to the fact that many of the most pronounced opponents of the state normal school have been given prominence on the programme. Among these is Professor Arnold Tompkins, whose dismissal from the normal faculty last summer brought about a rebellion of one hundred students. He is to read a paper which, it is understood, will arraign the management of the school and create an uproar. Professor George D. Brown, and also Professor Woods, the latter having been asked to resign from the faculty because of his support of Professor Tompkins, have also been given prominent places in the programme of proceedings.

Senator Fair's Trip.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—James C. Fair returned yesterday from a three weeks' trip in Oregon and British Columbia. His manager, Mr. Angus, says there is no truth in the statement published about his buying up British Columbia railways.

"It is true, however," said he, "that while we were in Seattle, Tacoma and Victoria Mr. Fair came in contact with a number of coal mine boomers, as they call them in that country. We examined several large mother veins that promised to yield handsomely, but the veins were traced on paper merely, and Mr. Fair was not buying maps of mines. He was offered a mine in Victoria for $90,000, but upon reading an expert's opinion of it he concluded that $25,000 would be a big price for it, and he let it go. It is nothing new for Mr. Fair to be besieged with propositions to make investments, and our last trip was no exception in that respect to the former ones. But Mr. Fair is not buying up any railroads in British Columbia or any place else. A partial purpose which Mr. Fair had in view when he left for the north was to secure relief from the asthma, which bothers him considerably. Several mine owners from British Columbia followed Mr. Fair to this city, and are now endeavoring to negotiate a sale with him."

The Midwinter Fair.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Frank Dobbs, of Tucson, Arizona, the concessionaire for the Yaqui Indian encampment, has arrived in this city with his Indians and with much of the material with which he intends to make that encampment as realistic as possible. His Indians are to live in the same sort of huts and tepees occupied by them in their native wilds and the landscape round about them is to be made over into a veritable bit of the semi-tropics. Prominent among the necessities for such a transformation scene is a great lot of cacti, which Mr. Dobbs has transported from New Mexico and Arizona for this purpose. There are two carloads of cacti alone, one of the plants being 34 feet high and weighing more than four tons. This is the largest cacti ever shown at an exposition. At the Centennial exposition, in Philadelphia, a cactus 24 feet high was shown, and at New Orleans the largest one exhibited was 22 feet. At the Columbia Exposition the mammoth cactus, 24 feet high, created a decided sensation, but here, at the Midwinter Fair, will be seen one ten feet larger than that. Among the Christmas arrivals from the east was Raphael Kuhe, the commissioner-general for Austria-Hungary. His first glance at the exposition grounds even though taken on such a disheartening day as Christmas was, has impressed him with the fact that the Midwinter exposition will surpass all previous efforts in the line of picturesque effects. The big spoke of the great Firth wheel stood out against the heavy sky on Christmas day like the legs of a mammoth spider, and those who saw the monster away up there had an opportunity of forming a good idea of the sort of a birds-eye view people will be able to get when the wheel is finished and when it begins to make revolutions. This morning a force of men were set at work hanging the ears.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 27.—Owing to the recent rainy weather and the delay in the arrival of exhibits, principally foreign from Chicago, the officials of the California international midwinter exposition have decided to postpone the formal opening of the exposition on Jan. 1st. On that day, however, the gates will be open to the public, the midwinter fair band will be in attendance, and many concessionary exhibits will be on view.

ABERDEEN'S CHAPLAIN.

Rev. Winfield Appointed—McGreevy and Connolly Want Release.

Ottawa, Dec. 27.—Rev. T. W. Winfield, who left the Episcopal church some months ago and joined the Presbyterian church through conscientious views, has been appointed chaplain to Lord Aberdeen at Rideau Hall and will preach in the new chapel there next Sunday.

The cabinet met to-day at 2:30 to take into consideration petitions presented to the crown asking for clemency in the case of McGreevy and Connolly. There was a full meeting. Hon. Frank Smith, who is in favor of releasing the prisoners and who signed a petition to that effect, arrived last night, to be present at the meeting. It is also rumored here to-day that all private papers and everything of that kind which McGreevy had in connection with the elections in Quebec have been handed over to Blake by McGreevy himself to do with them as he might see fit. This has been done by McGreevy so as to show the public that he was not the principal sinner in the matter. It is not likely that the government can recommend his excellency to interfere, under all the circumstances.

Lord Haddo and the Hon. Dudley Gordon, Lord Aberdeen's sons, who were expected at Ottawa for Christmas, mittee will meet Friday evening at 8 long passage of the Umbria having delayed them.

Heavy Wages Reduction.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 27.—The signing of the new roll at the Homestead (Carnegie) steel works began to-day. It was not officially made public, but what could be learned of it through men employed in the various departments the cuts in wages are from 10 to 15 per cent., and among the heaviest ever known in the iron trade of this locality. It is likely to be accepted by the men.

'Frisco's Great Fire.

San Francisco, Dec. 25.—At 11:30 this morning fire broke out in the block bounded by Clay, Commercial, Sansome and Leidesdorf streets, and in a few minutes one of the biggest fires of the year was raging. The block was composed of some of the oldest brick buildings in the city, and was occupied by the Call and Bulletin newspaper offices, Francis, Valentine & Co., printers; the Bosqui Printing and Engraving Co.; Blake, Moffitt & Towne's paper warehouse, E. J. Shattuck & Co., ink manufacturers; Commercial Steam Power Co. and numerous smaller concerns. Every engine in the city was called out, and it was more than two hours before the fire was out. Fire Marshal Towe estimated the loss at $500,000 and the insurance at half that amount, but the proprietors of the concerns burned out say the loss will be much less and may not be over $100,000. A large portion of the block was totally destroyed. The Bulletin's editorial and composing rooms are a complete wreck, and the Call's presses were injured by water, but the fire will not interfere with the publication of the papers. All the insurance offices are closed to-day and a statement of insurance cannot be obtained.

It is now estimated that the damage will reach half a million. The principal losers are: Francis, Valentine & Co., printers, $100,000, insurance $25,000; E. J. Shattuck & Co., ink manufacturers, $40,000; Boskin Engraving Co., $35,000, insurance $7,000; Blake, Moffitt & Towne, paper, $50,000, insurance $40,000; Union Advertising Co., $10,000; Call and Bulletin, $10,000, insurance $10,000. Loss on buildings, $100,000.

There are a large number of minor losses, which bring the total up to nearly half a million. The Call's pressroom was flooded, but will be pumped out in time to print the paper.

Cripple Creek Gold Mines.

Florence, Colo., Dec. 27.—Grading for the new railroad that is to connect the new gold camp at Cripple creek with the Rio Grande and Santa Fe road at this point, commenced to-day, and operations will be pursued with all possible speed. The rails are being turned out by the Bessemer Steel Works. The new railroad will bring about a considerable development of the camp by furnishing the mines with an outlet to the Pueblo smelters. The amount of ore now being taken from the camp by wagon to the smelters at present averages a quarter of a million dollars monthly.

EUROPEAN GOSSIP

Queen Victoria's Approaching Visit to Florence.

BISMARCK'S MANY SYMPATHISERS

Duke Alfred of Edinburgh's Refusal to Disgorge.

All His Easily-Earned Allowance Causes Regret—His Greed for Gold—Reminiscences of Henry Pettit the Playwright — Gloomy Prospects for the Winter Season in Gay Berlin.

New York, Dec. 27.—The following is Yates's cable despatch from London to the Tribune:

The preliminary arrangements for the Queen's visit to Florence are completed, and the contract for the tenancy of the Villa Fabricotte has been signed by Col. Slade, military attache at Rome. The villa is a fine, stately building; the terrace commands a splendid view of Florence. The rooms are very large and handsome, and the house, which is admirably arranged, was re-decorated and re-furnished not long ago, when the sanitary arrangements and water supply were thoroughly overhauled. Col. Biggs returned to Windsor castle ten days ago from Florence, where he had been dispatched by the Queen to inspect the villa. He has given directions for various alterations. Most of the furniture for the Queen's rooms is to be sent from Windsor. The Queen intends staying in Florence three or four weeks, after which she will most likely proceed to Coburg, where she will be the guest of the Duke and Duchess at their palace. It is probable there will be a family gathering at Coburg, including the German Emperor and Empress, the Prince and Princess Henry of Prussia, the Grand Duke of Hesse, the Princess Alix, the Prince and Princess of Leiningen. The queen will stay there about a week.

Friedrichsruhe is again fast becoming a cave of Adullam or common refuge for all dissatisfied spirits of light and leading in the German empire. Prominent among the ex-chancellor's late guests was Count Limburgsbruun, who shared the fate of Count Harry Arnheim at the hands of the young emperor, in that he was summarily dismissed from the diplomatic service for contributing to the Conservative Kreuz Zeitung a moderate criticism of Count Caprivi's new commercial policy. Herr von Schlozer, late Prussian minister at the Vatican for the empire, is still unrepresented there; he also forfeited the confidence of Prince Bismarck's imperial and imperious master, and is also a guest a Friedrichsruhe.

Mr. Gladstone could have announced the arrangement which has been made about the Duke of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha a week earlier, but the ministerial wire pullers begged him to keep the thing quiet until after the Accrington election. It was also quite in accord with the recent practice of this old parliamentary hand to abstain from giving any notice whatever of his intention to make a statement on the subject last Thursday. It is to be regretted that Duke Alfred did not disgorge gracefully the whole of the allowance, as he cannot now want any part of it, for the income of himself and the duchess amounts to about £100,000 a year. The duke has been saving largely since his marriage, and all his accumulations have gone into judicious but practically riskless securities, and all for his own particular benefit.

Henry Pettit, the late author, came of a race of meritorious landscape painters not yet wholly extinct, and inherited no small share of the family talent. He began as a master in a North London school, but gave up tuition for dramatic authorship, which soon brought him both fame and fortune. He had written at the time of his death just one hundred more or less successful plays, and it often happened that a dozen or so were running at once in different parts of the world. Of late years his author's fees gave him an income considerably larger than that of either the lord chancellor or the archbishop of Canterbury.

Prospects for the winter season in Berlin are not bright. Since the death of the old emperor many leaders of German society, whose numerous and splendid entertainments were formerly among the principal functions of the Berlin season, have regularly spent the winter in the south of Europe, while others have remained at their country seats, and Prince Bismarck's aristocratic friends have made it a point of honor to keep away from the capital since his retirement from office.

New Italian Loan.

Rome, Dec. 27.—Signor Chischlotte della Mancia to-day confirms the report that Prime Minister Crispi is arranging with Germany to float a loan of £24,000,000 sterling.

Severely Chilled.

London, Dec. 27.—Mrs. Gladstone, while travelling to Hawarden on Thursday last from London, was seized with a severe chill, but is now greatly improved.

Stocks Dropped.

New York, Dec. 27.—The rumor of a receivership for the New England road weakened that stock at the opening this morning, and a decline to 14 1-2 took place. This is the lowest price of the year. Louisville & Nashville and whiskey also suffered a heavy fall, 4½ and 19 7-8. General list steady.

Finances Improving.

Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 27.—The report of the Northern Pacific receivers for November, filed to-day, shows an increase of $142,645.45 in the net earnings over the net earnings for October.

THE BRAZILIAN WAR.

Everything Remains in Much the Same Condition.

Rio de Janeiro, Dec. 26.—The government has established a fort on Governor's island, recently captured from the insurgents, and is daily increasing the cannon at other points. That Admiral da Gama, who commands the insurgent vessels in the harbor, is in a critical position, is admitted even by his friends. It is believed there will be a decisive struggle in the near future.

Bahia, Dec. 25.—A report has reached here that the government forces available for actual service have been allowed to suffer seriously from depletions by one cause and another. Peixoto has now determined to raise the strength of the national guard to a high standard in the several provinces. Accordingly he has issued an order that drafts shall be immediately made for the purpose of raising slightly more than 12,000 men in each of the following provinces: Parahaiba, Sao Paolo, and Pernambuco.

Montevideo, Dec. 25.—Advices from Rio say General Telles, who had one of his legs shot off recently by the insurgents during the attack upon Governor's island, died to-day. Captain Picking's refusal to give American vessels in Rio harbor all the protection they desired from rebel fire while landing cargoes is asserted by the aggrieved shipmasters to be a virtual recognition of the insurgents as belligerents, and their view is evidently shared by American merchants in the city. The persons says Captain Picking's report of the situation to the secretary of the navy has been so vague as to be absolutely misleading, and they declare a firm stand taken just now by American naval officers here would be of material aid in bringing about a satisfactory ending of the revolution.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 25.—Minister Mendonca has received a cable from Rio which he says contained very encouraging information. "The government reports to me," said the minister, "that there have been several important changes in the position at Rio, which greatly strengthened the government. All the commanding islands in the bay are now in possession of the government except Villegagnon, Cobras and Paquela.' Concerning the cipher message from Rio received late last night from Captain Picking, Secretary Herbert having declined to give it out for publication, said to-day: "There is nothing in the message to indicate any recent victories for either the government or for the rebels or that there is any material change in the situation."

Buenos Ayres, Dec. 25.—It is reported that the Brazilian rebel warships Aquidaban and Republica are bound for Montevideo, where they will attack Peixoto's fleet, which is being fitted out there.

Pernambuco, Dec. 25.—It is announced that Admiral da Gama continues to obstruct the landing of cargoes from ships, chandise is guaranteed protection, and only American and German mer-

Cronin Murder Trial.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—This was a day of sensational developments and incidents in the trial of Dan Coughlin. The prisoner was self-possessed and apparently indifferent to it all; but the lawyers on both sides, Mr. Andrew Foy and others who participated, became nervously excited. Outbreaks among the lawyers were numerous and recriminations were indulged in and bitterly resented. The defence succeeded in making a sensational climax to the cross-examination of Mrs. Foy by presenting her to the jury in a far less favorable light than she appeared when she left the witness stand last week. She admitted receiving money and substantial presents of clothing, turkeys and carpet from Mrs. Conklin since she became acquainted with her late last year. Two letters which Mrs. Foy admitted had been written by her to W. S. Forest, leading counsel for the defense at the first trial, showed that "the star witness for the prosecution," as Attorney Wing called her, had not been actuated solely by a love of justice and desire to undo a great wrong in remaining silent while the first trial was in progress. The best that can be said for her, judging by these compromising letters, was, he said, that she wanted her husband to stop drinking and mend his ways, and believed that Coughlin and the lawyers could bring about a change. Her letters contained threats of "going to see the state attorney" unless she got some "reward for all I have suffered." Her sufferings were not dwelt upon much when she was examined by the prosecution. Still the woman's nerve and self-possession never deserted her. After recovering from the shock and surprise incident to the quick plays made by the defence with their trump cards, she turned upon Attorney Wing and practically cross-examined him in regard to the conversation which took place in Forest's office between them. The lawyer did not expect to be placed in such a position, but the witness at that time was in the hands of the prosecution again. The best point she made for the state was to bring out the fact, undenied by Attorney Wing, that he and Forest told the woman to go home and give her husband a further trial or probation of six months, which she did. The attorneys for the prosecution say they are satisfied with the ending of Mrs. Foy's cross-examination and the defendant's lawyers said the woman's story would be rendered worthless when all their impeaching testimony was heard.

How M'rva Died.

Prague, Dec. 26.—The prisoners Dolezal and Dragoun, who were arrested on the charge of being connected with the murder of Rudolph M'rva, have made a complete confession. They say they were prompted to kill M'rva by Deputy Herold's denunciation of him in the Reichsrath during the recent debates on the government's coercive measures. Kriz, one of the two accomplices now in prison, supplied them with a dagger and urged them to obtain vengeance. Dolezal, who up to that time had been one of M'rva's closest friends, made many visits to M'rva's house, in company with Dragoun, with the intention of killing M'rva, but his courage always failed him until Saturday last. On that day they played cards with him for a while, and then induced him to sing. While he was singing a song villifying traitors Dragon seized and strangled him, while Dolezal stabbed him to the heart.

The police are confined to the barracks. The houses of many Omaldinas have already been searched and more arrests are expected. It is reported that the young woman to whom M'rva paid his addresses long knew of his connection with the police but did not reveal it. M'rva persuaded the woman's brother to join the Omaldins, which resulted in his arrest. His sister was so incensed by this that she handed M'rva's note book to the Herald, which intends to publish it to prove that he was allied with the police.

London, Dec. 26.—The Vienna correspondent of the Daily News says: Dolezal declared to the police that the Omaldina society ought to be closely watched, as it had planned murderous outrages on the highest personages. He hinted that a great plot was ripening against the police.

Prague, Dec. 26.—Three arrests have been made of persons suspected of implication in the murder of glovemaker M'rva. He was known under the assumed name of Rigolette, of Toscaug, and was the ringleader of a society of socialists. In a recent debate in the Richsrath Dr. Herold, leader of the Young Czechs, said he had in possession M'rva's note book, containing a plan for blowing up the palace of Count Thun with dynamite. Eighty young men belonging to the socialist society have been arrested and will be tried for high treason. M'rva had been advised to leave Prague, but delayed departure and had been murdered. He had lately received threatening letters.

The Dry Goods Trade.

New York, Dec. 26.—In its review of the dry goods market for the week, the Commercial Bulletin says: "Agents had little expectation of any business of importance being transacted during the week under review, the natural influences of the holidays and the near approach of the end of the year being taken into account. Still it has made a more favorable comparison with the average for the normal season than some of the preceding weeks. Buyers are, as a rule, working so closely that a constant demand for immediate supplies has been assured, while the reduced prices for bleached shirtings and wide sheetings have proved aids to fuller movement than might otherwise have been expected. The deliveries from the mills and warehouses have reached a considerable volume and are in excess of the current demand in most directions, and by this means stock accumulations are prevented. The tightness of unsold supplies coming upon the market is a fair offset to the nominally quiet condition of trade, and with the exception of the reduced prices of wide sheetings, which are more a reversion to the market basis for some time than actual declines, prices are steady. The demand for spring supplies has been on a moderate scale and without any new feature of interest.

General News.

Rome, Dec. 26.—A dispatch from Massowah says that in the fight at Agordat the dervishes attacked and seized the Italian artillery with fury, holding the battery until the Italian reserves, protected by the guns of the fort, sallied out and retook the guns. The Italians then turned the guns upon the dervishes, completing their route.

Barcelona, Dec. 26.—In a confession made to-day Cerezueda, the anarchist arrested in Huesca, said that he threw the bomb in the Lyceum theatre, and that Codina made the bomb from Sivepol's models.

London, Dec. 26.—A Paris dispatch to the Times says: Cardinal Richard has issued a pastoral letter prescribing prayers for France in all the Paris Catholic churches. In reference to the dynamite outrage in the chamber of deputies he says Catholics share the felicitations of the deputies over preservation from awful death, and pray God fervently that he should turn aside the evil menacing the country.

London, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to the Times from Calcutta says: The government has not given any sign of its intention with regard to silver. The opinion is becoming more general that a sliding import duty should be imposed forthwith. The strongest opposition is likely to come from Bombay, where it is feared Chinese trade may be disturbed.

Paris, Dec. 26.—The anarchists of Orleans paraded the Madeline suburbs this evening, hurrahing for anarchy and for Moulinier, a friend of Vaillant, who was recently arrested in New Orleans. Many of the paraders wrenched up tree guards, with which they smashed the windows of houses. No arrests were made. Twenty blasting cartridges were found on the railway at St. Etienne to-day.

Amsterdam, Dec. 26.—Two thousand men out of work paraded the streets to-day under socialistic auspices. They were repeatedly dispersed by the police; but quickly gathered again. Finally 100 policemen were ordered to charge the paraders with swords. The police were received with a volley of stones, and a savage fight ensued. A socialist named Geel was badly injured and had to be taken to the hospital. Three members of the socialist committee and one policeman were also severely injured. Many others received slight injuries.

Palermo, Dec. 26.—During the anti-tax riot at Torrasini, near this city, the Octroi offices were set on fire and were completely destroyed. A riot was caused in Valguarnera to-day by a police commissary arresting a socialist who was preaching revolt. A thousand men and women stormed the gens d'armes barracks in an attempt to rescue the prisoner, but were repulsed. The mob afterwards set fire to the town hall, the postoffice, the magistrate's office, and the residence of the mayor, police commissary and several citizen's houses, all of which were badly damaged or destroyed.

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AMERICAN NEWS NOTES

Daily Chronicle of Events in The Great Republic.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 27.—Hon. Wayne MacVeagh, of Pennsylvania, the newly appointed ambassador to Italy, is in the city. He said to-day: "The president of the United States could not have placed me in a position more to my liking than that of ambassador to Italy, and I am much gratified and highly flattered by the prompt confirmation of my appointment by the senate."

Griffin, Ga., Dec. 27.—The city marshal, Captain T. J. Manley, is lying at the point of death, the result of a murderous assault made upon him by George Taylor, colored. In 1891 Manley arrested Taylor, who was wanted for manslaughter. Taylor was convicted and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary, and he declared that at the expiration of his term he would return and kill Manley. Taylor is in jail.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Francis J. Dewes, a wealthy Chicago broker, found awaiting him when he reached New Orleans with is wife on Saturday a telegram saying is fourteen-year-old son was dangerously ill with diphtheria. The boy had been left at home in his usual health. Finding he would be compelled to wait fifteen hours for the first fast train from New Orleans to Chicago, Mr. Dewes chartered a special which was given a clear track to Chicago. A start was made at 12.20 a.m. on Sunday, and Chicago was reached at 1.50 a.m. on Monday, beating by four hours the best previous record for the 915 miles. The trip cost Mr. Dewes about $1,000.

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Residents of the suburbs of Morgan park are excited over the burning in effigy last night in front of the post office of Rev. O. E. Murray, pastor of the Methodist church. He had made a vigorous attack upon gambling, and the demonstration against him is supposed to have resulted from this attack. Members of the local club, however, disclaim all connection with the affair.

New York, Dec. 27.—George Gould, through his lawyers, has answered the charges made by Mrs. Zella Nicolaus, in her suit brought against him for $40,000. This answer was served on Howe & Hummel last week, and is simply a general denial. Mr. Hummel said yesterday answer had been served, and beyond that would not discuss the case. This suit will probably be placed on the calendar in February, and is not likely to come up for trial until next fall.

Geneva, N.Y., Dec. 27.—Prof. Brookes, director of Smith observatory, has just been awarded the prize medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific for his discovery of the comet of October 16. This is the fourth medal awarded by the Astronomical Society to Prof. Brookes.

Edwardsville, Pa., Dec. 27.—Michael Shoeswick, miner, has for some time, he says, been haunted by evil spirits, who torture him by pinching him. Yesterday he drove everybody out of his boarding house and then cut off the end of his nose and part of his upper lip. Several men tried to break in the door, thinking he was committing suicide. Hearing their blows, Shoeswick went headlong through the window, carrying the sash with him. He fell on the kerbstone and was stunned for a time, but when he regained his senses he broke away from the men who were dressing his wounds, and led them a long chase through town before he became weakened from loss of blood. He was caught and handcuffed.

Middletown, N.Y., Dec. 27.—Levi Layman, of Beechwood, Sullivan county, who has predicted his death three times, the last for December 1st, and who still lives, despite the fact that he has made all preparations to die, has received a letter from a New York woman, who offers to marry him. She says she is 35, good looking, and willing to do all she can to promote his stay on earth. Layman has not decided to marry, but says he will do so if he lives until after February 15th.

Yonkers, N. Y., Dec. 26.—Robert C. Fisher, millionaire and philanthropist, aged 57 years, died suddenly in the parish house of Trinity Episcopal church, New Rochelle, this morning. The deceased attended the Christmas services in the church yesterday in apparently excellent health. At the conclusion of the services he took a position at the door of the auditorium and handed each of the poorer members and the attendants of the church a $20 gold piece as a Christmas gift, when they passed from the building. He had just completed this charity when he suddenly reeled and was assisted by friends to the parish house, where he died. He leaves a widow and four sons.

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—The steamer New York is beyond saving. The seas are washing over her. From reports received to-day the vessel's bow only is out of the water and everything below and above decks is awash. The once magnificent vessel will be battered to pieces by the wind and waves.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 26.—A document was delivered into the hands of Marshall Donahower this evening which may have the effect of deterring the engineers, firemen, conductors, trainmen and telegraph operators on the Northern Pacific railway from striking. It was issued by Judge Caldwell, of the United States circuit court, and is in effect an injunction to keep the men from striking. The 150 delegates here from the various unions are in an angry state of mind. At the conference this afternoon they were told by General Manager Kendrick, of the Northern Pacific, that no modification of the schedule could be given them. They claim that this was a great injustice, because they had been kept here since the 18th to await the movements of Mr. Kendrick, only to meet a rebuff. They also claim that the company's action to-day in issuing, through the courts, such an order, was the plainest possible indication that the demands of the men were never seriously considered.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 26.—A crank made an attempt to kill Mayor Henry B. Tiler in his office on the first floor of the city hall at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The mayor was sitting in his office alone when a well-dressed man of medium height walked in and said he wanted it proved that his father committed suicide. The mayor saw that the man was a crank and told him that he knew nothing of his father. The fellow then said; "I came here to demand my rights. I own property near the city limits and I do not want them extended." The crank then pulled a revolver and told the mayor he was going to kill him. The mayor, although small of stature, is something of a fighter, and before the would-be assassin could use his weapon had taken it away from him and called for assistance. It took the combined efforts of the two officers to the jail, next door, where he gave the name of Phil J. Schwarz. He is about 30 years old, has been trying to get on the police force for some time, and at the time of his arrest had a petition to the mayor in his pocket. The father killed himself seven years ago.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 27.—By the death of an aunt in California Patrick Fitzgerald, formerly of this city, has fallen heir to a fortune estimated at $1,360,000. He was working here when last heard from, but his present address is unknown.

American Money.

New York, Dec. 26.—The appointment of a receiver for the Atchison brought about a break of 1 3-4 to 4 1-2 per cent. in the securities of the company. The stock sold down from 14 3-4 to 13, the 4's from 34 to 30 1-2. Enormous blocks of the stocks and bonds were thrown overboard, but at the decline the "bears" bought to cover contracts at higher figures. One prominent "bear" is credited with covering 8500 shares of stock. The unfavorable rumors about New England also had an adverse influence. It was stated that the committee of directors recently appointed to raise money for the January interest had failed and that an official notice to this effect will be given out by the directors after their meeting to-morrow. Another story was that the Erring-Prince interest was fighting McLeod and his friends, and that a snap receivership was imminent on account of international dissensions. The stock fell from 16 3-4 to 15 1-2; rallied to 17 1-8 and declined to 15 1-8. The Grangers were sold with considerable confidence by the professionals on the decrease of $173,400 in the gross earnings of the St. Paul for the third week of December. Other prominent roads, such as the Missouri Pacific and Louisville & Nashville, also gave out their earnings for the same period, the former reporting a loss of $43,000 and the latter a decrease of $62,100. St. Paul fell 1 3-8 to 56 3-4; Northwestern 2 to 97 1-2; Burlington & Quincy 2 to 73 1-4; Illinois Central 2 to 89, and Rock Island 1 3-4 to 63. The trunk lines were quiet and the changes is them confined to the fractions, except for New York Central, which declined 97 3-4, with a subsequent rally to 98 1-2. The coalers were steady. Reading, however, was an exception, being weak and selling down from 18 5-8 to 17. Sugar was the great feature among the industrials. First the stock dropped from 80 1-2 to 79 5-8, and then gradually rose to 82 5-8, in the face of a reduction in the price of the refined article of 1-8c. General Electric was not active by any means, and ranged from 36 1-8 to 37 3-8, closing at 36 3-8. Chicago Gas made a net loss of 5-8 per cent. for the day. Whiskey ruled quiet until the last hour of the day, when it suddenly declined 3 5-8 to 19 5-8. The private circular recently issued by the company, in which the announcement is made that there will probably be no rise in their product, was used against the stock. Louisville & Nashville was pressed for sale and touched 46 3-8. The general list was heavy in the last hour, and a number of stocks sold at the lowest prices of the day.

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Dated the 29th day of November, 1893.
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Notice of Assignment.

Pursuant to the "Creditors' Trust Deeds Act, 1890," notice is hereby given that John Johnston, carrying on business under the name and style of J. Johnston & Co., booksellers and stationers, at 77 Government Street, in the City of Victoria, has by deed dated the 1st day of December, 1893, granted and assigned all his real and personal property (except as therein mentioned) unto Walter Blake Smallfield of the said city, accountant, and George W. Haynes of the said city, real estate broker, in trust for the benefit of his creditors. The said deed was executed by the assignor and the assignees on the 1st day of December, 1893.

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In and About Victoria

AND ELSEWHERE.

SOMETHING LIKE A GHOST STORY.

"Do you call this Christmas weather?" I asked a friend, as we walked along the High street, as he always terms the main thoroughfare of Victoria.

"Aweel, it's no sae bad for thee pairts; I've seen wsur in Auld Reekie, monie a time."

As I could neither affirm or deny the correctness of this, I dropped the weather as a subject of conversation and turned my attention to the beautifully decorated shops on either hand.

"At all events, things do look somewhat seasonable here," I remarked. "What a goodly show the butchers make. I really think that the beef and mutton is better than the over-fed animal exhibits of London."

"Aye, its no to be despised what the fleshers of British Columbia show us; but, oh, man! there's nae sic sheep in a' the warrld as the black-faced ones o' auld Scotland. Hae ye ever supped on sangit-head and haggis? Ah! the thochts o' it taks me back to the Cannongate and Mistress Wylie's cosy sanctum in Wilson's Close."

I was happy to tell my friend that I had partaken of those national dishes, though I considered it wiser to avoid the remembrance of the feelings with which I first beheld the last mentioned delicacy, brought steaming to the table.

"Ah!" my friend continued, "you were owre young to remember forty-two, when our Queen and Prince Albert went to Scotland in the royal yacht and returned in a tine new steamship. That was a great time at Granton; the new pier had never been sae decorated before. The piermaster, Davie Bain, got made a knight in honor of the occasion. I was a young man then and saw all that went on."

"Was not that the Queen's first sea voyage in a steamer?" I asked.

"Weel, it possibly wad be. I heard that when the Royal George was being towed down to Scotland, with a squadron of men-o'-war in company, the queen was attracted by a fine three-masted paddle steamer which steamed round the royal squadron at some little distance. Her fore yards were manned by smartly-dressed sailors, and she was dressed in colors fore and aft. So pleased was the queen with the sight that she expressed a wish that the royal party might return on the steamer.

"Ah, yes," I said, "I now remember that event being talked about, and, strange to say, the first ship I joined as a boy was that same vessel, the Trident, and many a time have I had described to me, by eye-witnesses, the arrangements of the cabin for the reception of the royal party.

But here a sharp spurt of wind and rain drove my old friend to his home close by, and I thought it best to follow his example.

Later in the day, when sitting at my ease by the fireside, my thoughts went back to those days when I first went to sea, and I recalled scenes and incidents of that long ago time, and pictured the faces and heard again the voices of those I then knew, almost as if they were present yet. But some young voices reminded me of the present.

"Uncle John, Uncle John! Tell us a story. You promised, you know."

"Did I, really? Well, then, I suppose I must. Now, would you like a ghost story, a real story of a ghost I saw many years ago?"

This proposal meeting with assent, a circle of attentive young folks called upon me to proceed.

"Well, then, once upon a time, when I was a boy, I was on board a steamship, lying in Leith Roads. It was Christmas time, and we were to start for London next day, to be in time for the Christmas markets. The weather was calm and mild, although it was winter time, and at night time I could see the lights on shore for a long distance, while those at Granton and Wardie, off which place we lay, seemed close to us. On the other side the lights of Burntisland shone dimly, whilst Inch Keith, close at hand, with its brilliant light, seemed to be a watchful sentinel over all. By midnight all hands except a couple of men, as a sort of galley-watch, as we called it, since the galley fireside was their general post, were sound asleep. At all events I was, and had been so for some time, when suddenly I was aroused by unearthly shrieks, and as I sprang out of my bunk I heard other cries and shouts of alarm, and before I could get on deck the shrieks of women were added to the din. I recognized their voices as those of the two stewardesses, who both slept in the main cabin when in port. Hurrying up I found most of the crew and officers assembled in hastily-donned garments on the after-deck, and whilst I gazed I saw a white-robed spectral form rush out of the saloon, chasing several shrieking devils, for such they seemed. Away they rushed past us and along the deck forewards, disappearing in the darkness for a moment, only to appear again, returning on the other side. But now the chase was augmented by the two watchmen, who came scampering aft, shouting "Hi! Hi! Catch 'em, stop 'em!" and the spectral hunt again rushed past and disappeared into the darkness of the saloon, where the cries of terror could still be heard. The whole matter was explained. The day before a fine litter of pigs, seven in number, had been brought on board for shipment to London. They were in a portable tunnel and had been placed middeck abaft the funnel and covered with a tarpaulin. The cook had special charge of this lively part of our freight, with particular orders as to feeding and looking after them. Now, Jamie Provan, our cook, was a very worthy man, but he had one failing. Now and then he allowed himself to be, as he termed it, "o'ertaken by the whiskey," and when in that state his conduct was peculiar, as he conceived such queer fancies. This night he had dreamed that his pigs were loose, so what did he do but rush bare-legged and in his shirt on deck, and, uncovering the pen, he let out the pigs—to catch them. Well, we all had a fair chase, you may be sure, before those lively little fellows were once more safely penned, whilst Jamie, the cook, was hustled down below and into his bunk energetically enough, you may be sure. Well! That's all."

UNCLE JOHN.

Do Their Own Marketing.

There is one custom peculiar to life at the capital which has become so commonplace that it no longer attracts attention—the fashion of society women doing their own marketing. At about 10 o'clock the market might be taken for some fashionable interior, so crowded is it with handsomely dressed women.

In watching some fashionable woman selecting her marketing for the day a writer for the Post realized why Washington dinners have become so justly celebrated the world over. The Washington woman lives up to her reputation and leaves nothing undone to mar the completeness of her feast.

Mrs. Carlisle is constant in her attendance on the market. Few official women feel that they can spare the time to spend an hour or so at the market three times a week. But Mrs. Carlisle is a notable housewife and enjoys the relaxation of bustling about in a crowd. She is direct and business-like in her dealings, and what would take some women the whole morning to accomplish she has finished in half an hour.

The wives of the other cabinet officers have all taken a peep at the market, but they are too much occupied in getting settled in new houses to give this part of the housekeeping their special attention. So many of the senators' wives go as a usual thing that it would be a task to name them all.

Even those who board find it a distraction and make the buying of flowers an excuse to spend an occasional half hour there. Mrs. Hale, Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. Stockbridge, Mrs. Sherman, Mrs. Manderson, Mrs. Cockrell, Mrs. Vance are occasional visitors. It is worthy of note that these women, especially celebrated for the excellence of their dinners, are almost invariably seen at the market, often accompanied by their husbands, whose epicurean tastes have stimulated their wives to educate themselves in gastronomy. Mrs. Miriquus Bailey makes regular trips to market and buys with discrimination. Mrs. Dahlgren drops in now and then to buy some flowers. Mrs. Gen. Sheridan is a faithful housekeeper, and one rarely misses her face on market days. Her sweet and gentle manner has made her a great favorite with the men who stand behind the stalls, and she is always sure of prompt attention.

Few of the foreigners have adopted Washington custom, which is doubtless due to the fact that comparatively few of the diplomats have their families with them, and their households are managed by servants. Mme. Guzman, the American wife of the Nicaragua minister, is enthusiastic in her attendance, and says she enjoys her trips to market as much as any of the social dissipations. Mme. Romero goes but seldom. She is not very robust and society makes heavy demands on her.—Washington Post.

Japan's Empress.

The Empress of Japan—being that sweetest of all sweet creatures, a womanly woman—has upon many occasions openly evinced her deep interest in the wee ones of Japan, giving freely to all institutions that exist to benefit them in any way, even practicing all economies that she might be able to swell her contributions to certain charities that most interest her.

The conduct of this ideal woman upon a certain sad occasion her devoted subjects are never weary of describing. Prince Iwakura, a fearless Japanese leader in the momentous days of the crisis—from which the lively archipelago is still trembling in its subsidence to what seems assured stability—lay dying in his yashiki. The Empress announced her intention of paying Iwakura a visit in person. The poor prince, weak, and, as I have said, about to die, was thrown into a dangerous state of excitement upon receiving the news, but he managed to borrow from some hidden nervous force sufficient strength to grasp his writing box and brushes and paint her an urgent but respectful request not to think of coming to him. He forced upon her as an excuse for declining so great an honor the fact of his rapidly approaching death, and his consequent inability to acknowledge her visit with even a sixteenth part of the homage it demanded. He begged her to deign to kindly consider how ill he must be when it remained an impossibility to throw off the malady even for her entertainment. In reply, winged with speed, came a dear little missive whose import was as follows: "I come not as your empress, but as the daughter of your fond well-wisher and coadjutor, and as your own anxious friend." Shorn of all ostentation and display, the empress arrived, and remained beside her grateful subject until his final summons.

Some years ago, when the imperial palace was burned, the unselfish empress, amid all the excitement and discomfort she was for the nonce called upon to endure in a hasty flight to a comfortless old yashiki, thinking first of her subjects' natural concern for her comfort, sat down and wrote them a dainty little rhyme, which proclaimed as erroneous the report that she had changed her residence. It coyly asserted that her home had always been in the hearts of her people, and that she sincerely hoped that neither by flame nor by cold could she be driven from that dear abode.—Harper's Bazar.

Not every woman, who arrives at middle age, retains the color and the beauty of her hair, but every woman may do so by the occasional application of Ayer's Hair Vigor. It prevents baldness, removes dandruff, and cures all scalp diseases.

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* * *

First amateur—"You spoiled the whole show, Maud." Second amateur—"How? I thought I did well?" Second amateur—"You did, oh? What the dickens induced you to speak my lines in the third act? The best lines I had, too." Second amateur—"But, my dear Jack, I had forgotten my own. I had to say something."—Harper's Bazar.

CANADA AT SAN FRANCISCO.

Canadian Headquarters or Rendezvous—Our Day, 2nd April.

The Canadian Association has erected, in honor of Canada, a building to be used expressly as Canadian headquarters during the San Francisco exposition. Here both exhibitors and visitors may meet, receive their friends and fellow countrymen, have their mail directed, and otherwise make it the social rendezvous intended.

It has been deemed most appropriate to decorate the interior of the building with portraits of Canadian public men, views of public buildings and scenery, and other souvenirs and characteristic features of Canada. With this in view communications have been sent to the various provincial governments and boards of trade in the principal cities, asking them to exhibit such portraits, views, etc., as pertain to their particular locality.

The committee being called upon to select a "Canadian day" have decided on April 2nd as the only date at their disposal early enough in the season to be available. This day has accordingly been set apart for the purpose and will be appropriately celebrated. Lacrosse and other Canadian games will be arranged for, the director-general having promised to contribute trophies and medals to be competed for, as well as a fine display of fireworks in the evening.

Every effort will be put forth to make this occasion of a grand re-union and festival among the many sons and daughters of Canada in California and their visiting friends. Proper notification by Canadian papers will doubtless enable many tourists to so time their visit as to be present on that day, April and May being among the pleasantest months in California, when flowers and vegetation are at their best.

Canadians being also expected to participate in celebrating the 24th of May, as "British empire day," have the assurance of co-operation from English residents and vistors in celebrating the special "Canadian day."

A Female Bridegroom.

The London papers are agog over a mysterious story now being brought to light in a trial in the chancery court in which a strange woman figures as "The Female Bridegroom." The action, says the London Daily Graphic, is for the administration of the estate of the late W. H. S. Cullener, of Larkhall Rise, Clapham, in which the plaintiff claims the life income of the deceased's estate on the ground that his widow, the first defendant, married with one James Stanley in 1866. The defence alleged that the ceremony of marriage which Mrs. Cullener went through in 1866 was a sham, she having dressed as a man and under the name of R. E. Stanley gone through the form of a marriage with her deceased husband's cousin, Sophia Newland, who passed herself off as Rachael Elizabeth Cullener, the defendant. After the ceremony, it is alleged, the name of Stanley was dropped and the name of Smith resumed, the said Smith and the so-called Cullener living together as man and wife.

The first defendant, sued as Rachael Elizabeth Stanley, the actual Rachael Elizabeth Cullener, was called. She was seventy-four years old, and remembered being security for the husband of her daughter, Mrs. Clarke. The creditors tried to arrest her in 1865, and stopped payment of the rents of her late husband's property she had previously received. Sophia Newland was living with her. A discussion took place in the family with reference to her money. Her daughter Rachael suggested that she (Mrs. Cullener) should marry Sophia Newland. Mrs. Clarke agreed that it was the best thing to be done. She had trouble to get Sophia Newland to agree to the proposal, but she consented and went through the marriage as James Stanley with Rachael Elizabeth Cullener. She had then been wearing male attire for some time. She signed James Stanley in the register, and Sophia Newland signed Rachael Elizabeth Cullener. Her son William Cullener and Rachael Elizabeth Cullener knew of the marriage. Mrs. Clarke was told of the marriage the day after. She went to Rotterdam in man's clothes to sign a paper as James Stanley. She signed at the consul's office, but could not say what its purport was.

On the cross-examination Mrs. Cullener said she first took to wearing male attire in April, 1886. Miss Newland had lived with her since her husband had died. In assuming male attire she also assumed the name of Henry Neville Smith. Miss Newland did not pass as Mrs. Smith until after they left Larkhall Rise. She assumed the name of Stanley so as not to be found out. It was to avoid being sued for things she did not owe and to bring into operation the clause in the testator's will devolving the life interest to her daughters in case the witness married again.

Sophia Newland, the woman to whom Mrs. C[illegible]er was married, said the evidence about the marriage and the discussion prior to it were correct. The signature, Richael Elizabeth Cullener, was in her own handwriting. The signature, James Stanley, was written by Mrs. Cullener. She ceased living with Mrs. Cullener in 1883. Mrs. Clarke came to her to talk about the case two years ago. She wanted the witness to say that she (Newland) had been the bridesmaid. Mrs. Clarke said if she would say so she would give her when she got the money £30 a year. She distinctly refused, however, to do so.

In cross-examination Miss Newland said that she passed as Mrs. Smith from the time of the difficulties about Clarke's signature, five or six months before the marriage. The marriage was projected while Mrs. Clarke was staying in the house, but she was not there when the marriage took place. She (Miss Newland) was not nervous during the ceremony. She had had Mrs. Cullener's signature to practice copying it.

The case is still on trial, and is creating great interest throughout England.

Fleet Footed Zebras

The rapidity with which the different zebras have been exterminated, owing to the advance of civilization in South Africa, is shown by reference to such works as that of Sir Cornwallis Harris, written in 1840, in which the author tells us that the quagga was at that time found in interminable herds, bands of several hundreds being frequently seen, while he describes Burchell's zebra congregating in herds of 80 or 100, and abounding to a great extent; but now, after an absence of about fifty years, the one species is extinct, or practically so, while the other has been driven much farther afield, and its numbers are yearly being reduced.

This author's description of the common zebra is well worth repeating. He says: "Seeking the wildest and most sequestered spots, haughty troops are extremely difficult to approach, as well on account of their exceeding agility and fleetness of foot as from the abrupt and inaccessible nature of their highland abode. Under the special charge of a sentinel, so posted on some adjacent crag as to command a view of every avenue of approach, the checkered herd 'whom painted skins adorn' is to be viewed perambulating some rocky ledge, on which the rifle ball alone can reach them.

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NO. 216.

A BY-LAW

Respecting the Municipal Elections for the City of Victoria for the year 1894.

The Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria enacts as follows:—

1. The nomination of candidates for the respective offices of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Victoria shall take place at the City Hall, in the aforesaid City, on Monday, the 8th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p.m.

2. In case more than one candidate for Mayor is nominated the vote of the electors for candidates for the said office shall be taken by ballot in the Court room at the City Hall aforesaid, on Thursday, the 11th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

3. In case there are more candidates nominated for the office of Aldermen in any Ward than there are vacancies to fill up, the vote of the electors for the candidates for said office shall be taken by ballot on the 11th day of January, 1894, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., at the respective places following, that is to say:—

For the North Ward, in room numbered 5 and 6, at the Public Market Building, Cormorant street.

For the Central Ward, at Burnes' Block, Bastion Square.

For the South Ward, at No. 27 Government street (east side).

4. The provision of the "Election By-Law," passed 3rd March, 1888, and the schedules thereto, and the "Election Amendment By-law, 1893," so far as applicable and not inconsistent with this by-law and the Municipal Acts, shall be read with and form part of this by-law.

5. William King Bull, is hereby appointed the Returning Officer at the said elections.

6. The "Municipal Election By-Law, 1893," is hereby repealed.

7. This by-law may be cited as the "Municipal Election By-Law, 1894."

Passed the Municipal Council the 11th day of December, A.D. 1893.

Reconsidered, adopted and finally passed by the Council of the City of Victoria the 18th day of December, A.D. 1893.

ROBERT BEAVEN,
(L. S.) Mayor.
WELLINGTON J. DOWLER,
C. M. C.

NOTICE.

The above is a true copy of a by-law passed by the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria on the 18th day of December, A.D. 1893, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that any one desirous of applying to have such by-law, or any section thereof, quashed, must make his application for that purpose to the Supreme Court within one month next after the publication of this by-law in the British Columbia Gazette, or he will be too late to be heard in that behalf.

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THE MAYORALTY.

To the Electors of Victoria:

I beg to intimate that I am a candidate for re-election as Mayor, and respectfully solicit your support.

ROBERT BEAVEN.

28th November, 1893.

MAYORALTY.

To the Voters of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen:—I beg to announce myself as a candidate for the office of mayor for the ensuing year, and most respectfully solicit your votes and interest.

I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

JOHN TEAGUE.

Victoria, B. C., Nov. 27th, 1893. n27-td

"Land Registry Act"

Sections 1 and 2, Quatsino District.

A certificate of Indefeasible Title to the above property will be issued to Andrew B. Forbes on the 24th March, 1894, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or some part thereof.

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BEAUMONT BOGGS,
Secretary of Committee.
de26-1d

NOTICE.

All persons having accounts against the Board of School Trustees of Victoria are requested to send in the same to the Secretary, at his office, 46 Fort street, not later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday, the 27th inst.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

MR. G. J. BURNETT, the Organist and Chlormaster of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, will be absent from the city during Christmas and New Years. Pupils receiving lessons on Fridays will resume their studies on January 5th as heretofore. Mr. H. P. Johnson will preside at the organ in Mr. Burnett's absence. d26-2t

THE COMPANIONS OF THE FOREST will give an entertainment and social dance, with supper, in Philharmonic Hall, on Wednesday evening, December 27th. Music by Richardson orchestra. By special request the hoop drill will be repeated. Tickets, Gentlemen 50c., ladies 25c. d26-2

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The Daily Times.

THE WAY OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Premier Davie seems to have been in his usual promising mood on his recent visit to Nanaimo, and the people of the Coal City are no doubt congratulating themselves on the prospect of receiving a share of belated justice at the hands of the government. In one respect the premier showed good sense, for he did not openly attempt to saddle on the representatives of the city and district the responsibility for the government's failure to do justice in the past. He was certainly wise in leaving that peculiar sort of work to the local journalistic supporter of the government, whose aim in life seems to be to convince the Nanaimoites that they cannot expect justice from the government unless they send it servile supporters. The premier seems to have judged wisely that it would hardly do for him to convey this intimation directly. As to matters of policy, Mr. Davie does not appear to have said anything new, if we except the sort of hint that for the present there is no very clear prospect of the British Pacific scheme reaching fulfilment and that the government will make an effort to secure the building of that portion from Nanaimo to Seymour Narrows. Nobody will find fault with that work being done, provided the price paid is not too high. Nobody, on the other hand, would care to see a repetition of the E. & N. "give-away," which has placed so heavy an incubus on the Island. The premier continues to talk about the encouragement of settlers, but in the meantime the settlers are not encouraged, nor will they be until the administrative methods of the government are improved. Roads and bridges and trails and wharves are provided in places where they do no good, while from other places settlers are actually departing because they are given no chance to live. The work that is actually done costs a great deal more than it should for the simple reason that the gaining of votes, and not the public advantage, is the purpose kept in view. The talk of encouraging settlement is hollow mockery while the public works of the province are treated as one huge electioneering agency. The expenditure is increasing at a pretty rapid rate, and so are the liabilities of the province, what with the new buildings and the assumption of bond guarantees, which which the government will have to meet for some time to come. Under such circumstances waste and extravagance are nothing short of criminal. The premier boasts of the good credit of the province, but the good credit will not last long if the lenders of money find our debt increasing much faster than our population. The Australian colonies once had unlimited credit in London, but they found it was possible to draw too heavily thereon, and they found that borrowing and wasting constituted a very poor sort of basis for prosperity.

Toronto Mail: As the Toronto watchdog has become alarmed at the movement for the abolition of the Senate, it has gone to the defence of the much-abused institution. Its readers are told that the upper chamber is a very cheap affair after all, the total expenditure during 1891-2 being $66,586.80. The organ's figures are unfortunately as much astray as its reasoning. Sixty-six thousand dollars is a big sum of money, but it would not nearly defray the expenses of the Senate. During the last fiscal year reported upon, the country was charged with $148,494 on account of the upper chamber. This is made up of $67,118 for indemnities, $9258 for mileage, $4000 for the speaker's allowance, and $68,118 for salaries and contingencies. From the total may be deducted $1358, the revenue of the Senate from divorce and other bills, and its cost is reduced to $147,136, a good deal more than double the amount the Tory mouthpiece represents it to be. When Rev. D. C. Hossack warned the public against organs he spoke by the book.

In a letter addressed to President Cleveland, Governor Pennoyer, of Oregon, says: "The extraordinary circumstances which greet the return of this holiday must be my excuse for writing to you. To-day is the first Christmas in the history of Oregon when more than two-thirds of its people are without employment and more than one-third without sufficient means of support." All this want of work and the other afflictions or Oregon are due, says the governor, to the repeal of the Sherman law. When Mr. Pennoyer has the hardihood to assert that only a third of the people in his state can find work there is no cause for surprise in any theory he may put forward in the way of explanation. Probably Oregon's worst affliction is to be found in its governor.

The London Times finds that "the strain of parliamentary life, with its exacting duties and untimely hours, is very great, and at the end of six months our legislators are usually tired out." It therefore finds serious fault with Mr. Gladstone for persisting in the endeavor to put through the Parish Councils bill this session. It is plain, however, that many of the amendments to the bill offered and gravely discussed by opposition members are intended only to cause delay and vexation, a line of tactics for which the "Thunderer" has no condemnation.

The Ottawa Journal shows an illustration labeled "North Cape, Norway," which is produced by a corner of each sheet (after the web is cut into sheets), coming in contact with an ink-roller provided for the purpose—the result being a sort of roller-gravure in full tone. Newspaper illustration in the year 1893 has made wonderful progress.

The Farm Pupil Business.

I hear from Victoria, British Columbia, that a reverend gentleman recently started in the neighborhood of Alderley Park, in that colony, a "farm-pupil" establishment, which shows very plainly the humbug attached to all this business. The reverend farmer suddenly appeared for the first time in the district a year or so ago, bought five acres of worthless land, built a commodious house, settled in it with three servants, and no visible occupation of a profitable nature. He was advertising it appears, in English papers for "farm-pupils" at five guineas per month, payable in advance. Two youths suddenly appeared on the scene, but they speedily found cause for dissatisfaction with their investment, and at the end of a few weeks one of them departed. In what terms this eligible opening was advertised over here I do not know, but it is a good specimen of the kind of snare which is so assiduously laid for parents and guardians.—London Truth.

NO FALSE IMPRISONMENT.

To the Editor: With regard to the paragraph in the Colonist re the charge against Vernon and Crawford, I wish to state the facts of the case. These two men have been boarding and lodging at the Rock Bay hotel, of which I am proprietor. On Saturday last they disappeared and to all intents and purposes had taken a boat across the sound, leaving behind them their board and room account unpaid. My bartender, Campbell, informed me that the men had stolen his valise, and the result was the arrest from the steamer City of Puebla. The next morning before the magistrate Campbell refused to appear against them and when taken to court said that he had given the valise to them. In answering the questions put by the magistrate Campbell was considerably rattled, his honor having threatened to imprison him for his prevarications. The men were set free. It was also stated that the arrest was due to a small bill for liquors over the bar, which is entirely untrue, and anyone knowing the first thing about the law can see how utterly absurd such a statement is.

It is surprising and annoying that an intelligent paper such as the Colonist is supposed to be should make such misleading and untrue statements to the detriment of my business and character. I wish for nothing better than to hear that these men had instituted proceedings against me for false imprisonment. The truth, at least, would then be made known.

B. CARTER.

Rock Bay Hotel.

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B. C. FISHERIES.

Draft of the Regulations Issued by the Department.

1. Fishing by means of nets or any other apparatus whatever, without license of the minister of marine and fisheries, is prohibited in all the waters of the province of British Columbia.

2. Provided always that the Indians may at all times have liberty, upon application to the inspector of fisheries, to fish for the purpose of providing food for themselves and families, by any means other than spearing, trapping, or penning fish on their spawning grounds, but not during the close season, or in places set apart for that purpose, or in such other places as may be set aside by law.

3. Meshes for nets used for capturing "Quinnat" or spring salmon in the tidal waters of British Columbia may be used from the 1st of March to the 15th of August, and shall not be less than 7 3-4 inches, extension measurement.

4. The meshes of nets for capturing salmon other than spring salmon in the tidal waters shall not be less than 5 3-4 inches extension measurement, to be used only between the 1st of July and the 1st of October of any year, and nothing shall be done in either case to practically diminish the size of these meshes.

5. The use of seines for the purpose of catching salmon is prohibited in the waters of British Columbia.

6. Drift nets only shall be used for capturing salmon, and shall be confined to the tidal waters, and no net of any kind shall be used for capturing salmon in the inland lakes or fresh and fluvial waters of rivers or streams. But Indians may nevertheless use dip nets for their own purposes in any such waters, by first getting permits from the inspector of fisheries.

7. Drift nets shall not be used so as to obstruct more than one-third of the width of any river, branch or channel thereof.

8. The use of seines or other nets for capturing salmon is wholly forbidden within the distance of 500 yards from any point in any direction whatever from the mouth or any part or outlet thereof of any river or stream in British Columbia.

9. Fishing for salmon shall not be permitted from Saturday morning at six o'clock until the following Sunday at twelve o'clock midnight. All nets and other fishing gear set and used and all fish caught during this period shall be deemed to be illegal, and liable to seizure and confiscation, and the person so violating the laws shall also be liable to the fines and penalties under the fisheries act.

10. The regular annual close time in which salmon shall not be taken in the lakes, rivers and streams of British Columbia shall be from the 1st of October to the last day of February (inclusive) following in every year.

11. The tidal limit in which the fishing for salmon may be carried on for commercial purposes on the Fraser river in canning, freezing or exporting fish shall terminate at a point across the Fraser one hundred yards below Whannock creek and at a line across Pitt river one hundred yards below the railway bridge. Above these points on the Pitt and Fraser rivers netting or fishing for commercial purposes is forbidden.

12. The minister may direct that fishing for salmon with nets or other means whatever may be wholly prohibited in such lakes, rivers or streams, tidal or otherwise, in which, from their size or other circumstances it may be found that netting therein would seriously interfere with the migration of salmon to their natural breeding grounds.

13. Before any salmon net, fishing boat or other fishing apparatus shall be used the owner or person interested in such net, fishing boat or fishing apparatus, shall cause a memorandum in writing, setting forth the name of the owner or person interested, the length of the net, boat or other fishing apparatus, and its intended location, to be filed with the inspector of fisheries, who, if no valid objection exists, may, in accordance with instructions from the minister of marine and fisheries, issue a fishery license for the same, and any net, fishing boat or fishing apparatus used before such fishing license has been obtained, and any net, fishing boat or fishing apparatus used in excess or evasion of such description contained in such license, shall be deemed illegal and liable to forfeiture, together with the fish caught therein, and the owner or person using the same shall also be subject to a fine and costs under the fisheries act.

14. All salmon nets and fishing boats shall be numbered to correspond with the number on the license, and shall also have the name of the owner or owners legibly marked on two pieces of wood or metal attached to the net, and such marks shall be preserved on such nets and fishing boats during the fishing season in such manner as to be visible without taking up the net or nets; and any nets or fishing boats used without such mark shall be liable to forfeiture.

15. The following shall be the manner and disposition in which fishing licenses shall be granted for catching salmon in the province of British Columbia:

16. Each bona fide fisherman being a British subject and an actual resident of British Columbia shall be entitled to obtain a license to fish for salmon.

17. Each firm, company or person actually engaged in the business of freezing and exporting salmon shall be entitled to obtain not exceeding seven licenses.

18. Each resident, company or person actually engaged in the business of shipping or exporting salmon in ice, not in the manner of freezing or canning, shall be entitled to obtain not exceeding seven licenses.

19. Each firm, company or local trader dealing in salmon for home consumption in cities, towns, villages or country places, actually engaged in such traffic, shall be entitled to obtain not exceeding three licenses.

20. Each company or person carrying on the business of salting, curing or smoking salmon for the domestic or foreign market, and not engaged in the fishing business in any other way, shall be entitled to obtain not exceeding two licenses.

21. Each firm, company or person actually engaged in carrying on the industry of canning salmon within the province of British Columbia shall be entitled to obtain not exceeding twenty licenses. The company or individual shall give a satisfactory statement as to the extent and capacity for work of the cannery before the license shall be granted.

22. Each firm, company or person referred to in the foregoing six sections to be entitled to obtain licenses shall be bona fide incorporated companies registered in Canada or resident British subjects and the actual owners or proprietors of the specified business and fishing gear for which the licenses are to be obtained.

23. Each and every license so obtained shall in no case be transferrable under and conditions whatever, without the consent, first obtained in writing, of the department.

24. The fee payable for every license by the companies or individuals referred to in the foregoing sections shall be alike throughout the province—namely, ten dollars each—and the license shall be called a commercial license, and the size and extent of the net to be used under such commercial license shall not exceed in length three hundred yards.

25. Every settler or farmer actually residing on his land and with his family, and is a bona fide British subject, shall be entitled to obtain one license free of charge by applying therefor to the inspector of fisheries, to fish in any waters of the province except in the prescribed limits at the mouths of rivers or streams or during any close time set apart by the department of marine and fisheries. Such license to be called a domestic license. The net to be limited in length not to exceed three hundred yards, with meshes the same size as in a commercial license, and to be used only for family purposes and not for trade or barter.

26. The young of the salmon at the different stages of their growth, as fry, parr and smelt, shall not at any time be caught, killed or had in possession by any one in the province of British Columbia, but if caught by accident in the nets lawfully used, they shall be liberated alive, at the cost and risk of the owner.

27. Salmon trout and white fish may be netted in the lakes of the interior of the province, under license to be first obtained from the department of marine and fisheries, which license shall cover gill net fishing, with a limit of net not to exceed 2,000 yards, with meshes not less than five inches extension measure. But salmon trout and white fish shall not be fished for and caught by any means during the months of October and November in any year in British Columbia. The fee for a license to catch salmon trout and white fish shall be $5.

28. Brook trout of any kind and speckled trout shall not be fished for, caught or killed in the province from the 15th of October to the 15th of March, both days inclusive, and by no other means whatever than by hook or line or by angling, providing that Indians may at any time kill these trout for their own use, but not for the purpose of traffic or sale.

29. The use of firearms of any kind or of spears of any description, torchlight or use of any explosive materials to catch or kill fish is prohibited within the waters of British Columbia.

30. The above regulations shall supersede and revoke all former regulations heretofore made under the fisheries act which relate to the fisheries in the waters of British Columbia, and the above regulations shall come into force and effect on the day of 189 when all former regulations shall become repealed.

31. All materials, implements or appliances and gear of any kind used, and all fish caught, taken, killed, bought, sold or possessed in violation of any of the above regulations shall be sized and confiscated, and any persons or companies violating any of the above regulations shall also incur the penalties provided by the fisheries act.

Note.—The above draft is subject to changes in the phraseology, and will be revised by the department of justice ultimately. Meanwhile it is hoped that practical suggestions by those interested will be made, so that the minister of marine and fisheries may bring them to the attention of his excellency the governor-general in council.

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FOOLING HIS FORTE.

Amusing Escapade of a Rogue With a Sense of Humor.

New York, Dec. 27.—A description has been received from the English police authorities of William Bolden, until within a few weeks manager of a large co-operative store near Newcastle, and who recently absconded after embezzling in the neighborhood of £5,000 of the company's funds. He is believed to have come to this country within the past few weeks and to have disguised himself by shaving off his moustache and long flowing beard.

In his native town he had a reputation as a local preacher, conducting undenominational services every Sunday, and it is thought by the English authorities that he will be found taking part in some revival or missionary movement on this side of the water before many weeks.

The audacity of the man appears to have been relieved only by a strong sense of humor, for on three Sabbaths before his departure he indirectly gave his congregation a hint of his intention, although so shrouded by the mantle of piety that probably not one of his hearers dreamt of the things that were about to occur.

On the first of the three Sundays he preached a stirring discourse from the text, "A little while and ye shall not see me." On the second Sabbath he took as his subject, "Ye shall seek me and shall not find me," while on the third and last Sabbath he delivered an exhortation that moved his congregation to tears from the words, "The time of my departure is at hand." Twenty-four hours later he was among the missing, and so was also a large slice of the company's funds. A reward of $2,500 is placed upon the head of this artistic criminal.

Glad to Get Work.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 27.—The employees of Doran Bros., carpet mills, have agreed to a reduction of 10 per cent., and the mill, which has been closed since Nov. 2nd., will be started on Friday, giving employment to about 400 hands.

French Securities Made Safe.

Paris, Dec. 27.—As a measure of precaution against possible dynamite outrages the public securities in the custody of the Bank of France have been removed to the Place Ventadour, where there is an immense strong room. The estimated value of the securities is upwards of 400,000,000 francs.

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SHORT LOCALS.

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—Fine English table cutlery at Fox's

—The You On overcrowding case has been remanded till Saturday.

—A general meeting of the tramway company will be held this evening.

—The Times staff is in receipt of a box of Mr. Cohen's best havannas.

—The Howard Athenaeum Company will appear at the Victoria on January 22nd.

—A fine line of Sheffield carvers in cases just opened at Fox's, 78 Government street.

—A public meeting is to be held next Wednesday evening in the city hall to discuss civic affairs.

—The regular monthly meeting of the board of school trustees will be held at the city hall Tuesday evening.

—The members of the W. C. T. U. and I. O. G. T. will hold a joint reception at Temperance Hall on New Year's day.

—Monday being New Year's day, and a statutory holiday, the regular meeting of council will be held the following day.

—The public will meet at the city hall on Friday to receive the report of the committee appointed November 22nd to arrange a platform for the civic election.

—The quarterly general meeting of the B. C. Board of Trade will be held on Friday, January 5th. Any new business should be handed to the secretary immediately.

—The funeral of the late Thomas Haydn Wilson took place this afternoon from the family residence, Frederick street. Services were held at the R. E. church. There was a large attendance.

—In commission. Lange & Co., jewelers, Douglas street, have just received a fine assortment of goods for the holidays, for which they are asking very low prices, so as to dispose of them by the first of January.

—When the City of Puebla left Victoria on Christmas day she was prettily decorated both inside and out with evergreens and bunting. Extensive preparations were being made for the observance of the holiday at sea.

—Edith Rose, wife of William Kipling, died yesterday of uremic convulsions. She was in the enjoyment of apparently perfect health on Christmas day. The deceased was 25. The funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at 2.

—The new Theatre Royal, Fort street, is to be completely renovated, and will present a new and pleasing aspect to the eyes of patrons when they assemble there next Monday to hear the standard play Phoenix by the clever professional stock company which has been gathered together.

—Henry Hodge and a number of his men are down from Haidlington Island for the holidays. Work there is going steadily ahead and there is about 600 tons of stone ready for shipment. They report the stone to be of excellent quality as they quarry into it. The stone is being taken out for the government buildings.

—The W. C. T. U. and I. O. G. T. (No. 1), will pool issues in a joint reception in Temperance Hall, Pandora avenue, on New Year's day, commencing at 11 a. m. Callers to the number of one thousand and over are expected. All contributions in the way of eatables, etc., will be thankfully received at Temperance Hall New Year's morning. In the evening a public mass meeting will be held in Institute Hall, View street.

—In the police court Martin Roberts, drunk, was fined $5. James Brady, stealing a clock from Cecelia, Klootchman, one month at hard labor. Alfred Butcher was fined $10 and costs for assaulting Fred Laforcade. Julius West, scavenger, was fined $2 and costs. West proved that although the premises occupied by him were not in a clean condition he had been doing his best to conform to the requirements of the health by-law. George Hughes, for selling whiskey to an Indian, was too intoxicated to be sentenced and was remanded till Thursday morning.

—The children of the Metropolitan Methodist church Sunday school spent a few hours pleasantly last evening. Presents for each pupil were placed on an immense Christmas tree and during the evening these were distributed. The following programme was rendered: Selection, orchestra; recitation, Laura Simpson; recitation, Ethel Eyre; song, Miss M. Wilson; recitation, Lily Wier; violin solo, Noel Barker; recitation, Ernest Maynard; trio, the Misses and Master Hampson; recitation, Eddie Creed; song (with violin accompaniment), Miss Barker; recitation, L. Hosking; selection, orchestra; piano duet, Misses Fryan; recitation, Jennie Stratham; recitation, Elsie Wier; recitation, Mrs. Charlton's class; recitation, Miss A. Mugford; recitation, Teresa Rogerson, and song, Miss Renfrew. Among the presents distributed was a handsome piece of plate for Mrs. Siddall from the Sunday school.

—Sunset lodge, K. of P., did rank work last night.

—Arrangements are being made to reopen the Y. M. C. A. rooms.

—Dr. Meredith Jones and Miss K. Brady were married this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

—The triennial examination of the B. C. medical council will be held in this city on Jan. 9th.

—Among the donations to the Old Men's Home on Christmas day was a box of cigars from Kurtz & Co.

—Account books, copying books and presses, offices supplies at the regular reduced prices at Johnston's book store.

—There will be no meeting of Seghers council, Y. M. I., Monday. The meeting will be held the following Wednesday.

—Rev. Father Van Nevel, grand vice-president of the Y. M. I., will start Jan. 9th on a tour of inspection of the northwest councils of that order. The circuit includes Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.

—Mrs. L. Goodacre has kindly invited all members of the W. C. T. U. to meet at her home to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock for a parlor social instead of the usual meeting in Temperance hall being held.

—Poultry fanciers are looking forward to the annual show of the B. C. society, which will be held Jan. 24-26. The committee will meet Friday evening at 8 o'clock at 30 Langley street to consider plans for the exhibition. The advance printed matter will soon be out.

—The Winnipeg Tribune has issued a handsome holiday supplement under the title of the "Canadian Annual." It is profusely illustrated, giving many portraits of local celebrities and several engravings of a general character. The annual should appeal with success to the public, and especially to former residents of the prairie capital.

—The programme to be given at the "smoker" and supper at the Hotel Victoria to-morrow night is almost complete. John Dunsdale, the comedian of the Theatre Royal Co. has kindly volunteered to be present and assist, and there will be other novelties. From present appearances the attendance will tax the capacity of the large dining hall and concert room of the hotel.

—The assault case preferred by Daniel Sheehan against Michael Mollock was dismissed in the police court this morning. Sheehan swore that he had been struck on the head, knocked to the ground and kicked by Mollock Christmas night. Mollock swore he was only defending himself, and did not strike or kick Sheehan, who was the aggressor. Susan, a klootchman, was called for the prosecution, but her evidence was of no moment.

Marine

The Northern Pacific steamship Tacoma is due here on January 6.

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Sheffield razors (guaranteed), strops, shaving brushes, etc., the best variety in town, at Fox's, 78 Government street. Children's white fur boas, 35c.

Incoming Passengers.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Passengers by the steamer Umatilla for Victoria are: I. Schott, G. H. Freeman, W. O. Smith, A. H. Kivar.

Holiday Goods

Just look at the "Lansdowne House" windows and see the very latest novelties in silk handkerchiefs, lace handkerchiefs, gloves, feather boas, furs, purses, linen handkerchiefs, jackets, umbrellas, dress stuffs, silks, wool shawls all marked at "bed rock prices." During this week the store will remain open until 9 p. m. John Partidge, 86 Yates st.

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PERSONAL.

Ald. Munn spent the holidays on the Mainland.

Father Donkele is down from Kuper Island.

Mrs. McKilligan returned from the Sound to-day.

R. M. Palmer, of Hall's Prairie, is at the Oriental.

J. M. Leishman returned from Vancouver last evening.

George Murphy returns from the Sound in the morning.

R. P. Rithet leaves San Francisco for home on Sunday.

Alex Ewen and D. J. Munn, of New Westminster, are at the Driard.

G. C. Tunstall was a passenger home on the Kingston this morning.

Capt. Clements, pilot on the City of Kingston, spent to-day in the city.

Mrs. O'Quinn leaves in the morning for Halifax. She goes east over the C.P.R.

R. C. Benton and W. E. Drake, Vancouver, registered at the Driard last evening.

Mrs. Capt. Rudlin returned from the Mainland last night where she spent Christmas day.

M. McTeigh, of Seattle, is in the city visiting his mother who is ill at the St. Joseph's Hospital.

O. T. Page left yesterday for Liverpool. He will travel by the C.P.R. and Beaver line from Boston.

Geo. C. Tunstall Jr., agent for the Hamilton Powder Company at Nelson, arrived in the city this morning, via the Sound.

H. E. Connon returned from Vancouver last night. Mrs. Connon and the family remained and will spend a week there.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Matters of Interest Going Forward in the Sporting World.

THE RING.

FITZSIMMONS IN FAVOR.

New York, Dec. 27.—In an interview to-day Billy Madden, the notorious manager of pugilists, said: "I have just been offered $20,000 by a syndicate of sporting men to invest on "Bob" Fitzsimmons in a match with the winner of the Corbett-Mitchell fight. Of course they want me to handle "Bob" and I would readily take him under my management."

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 27.—Mitchell and his party arrived this morning and a crowd of 1,500 people met the bruiser at the depot and followed him to the Everett house, where it took two policemen, six bell boys and three porters to keep them from crushing in the big glass doors. The crowd that received him was similar to that which greeted Corbett, the rag-tag and bob-tail of the town. Mitchell said he was in good trim.

CHESS.

INTERCOLLEGIATE MATCH.

New York, Dec. 27.—College boys crowded the Harvard school this afternoon to witness the opening of the intercollegiate chess tournament between the best teams of Yale, Harvard, Princeton and Columbia. The match is to continue for a week, the college winning the most games to hold the championship for one year. Samuel Lloyd was chosen as referee, and Hon. Chauncey M. Depew delivered an address of welcome to the players.

THE CUE.

A CLOSE GAME.

One of the closest games of the Hotel Victoria billiard tournament was played last evening. C. W. Rhodes (scratch) defeated J. R. Turner (50 start) by 250 to 249. There were several good runs. This evening Mr. Baillie plays Mr. Howard.

YACHTING.

A BRITISH CHAMPION.

London, Dec. 25.—The Times announces that Admiral Victor Montague, who had the Viola, Corsair and Vendetta built, will have a new 40-rater next season. She will be designed by Watson and built on the Clyde. Admiral Montague says he is open to race his cutter against any new 40-rater designed by an American designer for a substantial stake, best of three matches, under the rules of the British Yacht Racing Association. The boat must be designed by an American, but, if it is thought advisable, it may be built in England or any other country.

THE WHEEL.

SIX DAYS' RACE.

New York, Dec. 26.—Last night at 9 o'clock the score stood: Schoch, 692 miles; Martin, 661; Walter 690; Albert, 592; Hosmer, 573; Meixell, 545; Van Emburg, 517; Ashinger, 496; Barton, 459; Forster, 437; Golden, 572. Fuller withdrew at 7 o'clock.

At 11 o'clock, 47 hours from the start of the race, Schoch was 139 miles, eight laps ahead of the 1891 record. In that year 579 miles were made by Martin, while Schoch had covered 718 miles 8 laps. The record for the first 48 hours of the six day race was broken to-night by Schoch, who made 733 miles 1 lap. This is 143 miles and 4 laps over the record of 1891, which was made by Martin.

At 1 o'clock this morning (Wednesday) the score stood: Schoch 745 miles, Martin 714, Waller 743, Albert 638, Hosmer 612, Meixell 573, Van Emburg 540, Ashinger 539, Barton 500, Forster 485, Golden 544.

New York, Dec. 27.—The third day of the great tournament opened with 11 plucky wheelmen still in the contest. During the early hours of the morning Martin passed both Waller and Shoch, taking first place, and little Van Emberg, the "boy wonder," is the object of popular admiration for his pluck and remarkable staying powers. An accident occurred on the track at 8:30 this morning, which may result in the withdrawal of one of the contestants. Waller ran into Ashinger at the turn in front of the score board, throwing Ashinger violently from his wheel, Waller falling at the same time. Ashinger's knee was so badly injured that he was taken to his dressing room. Shoch appeared at 12:05 apparently much improved by his rest.

The score of the bicyclists at noon stood: Martin, 850; Waller, 842; Schoch, 824; Albert, 752; Hosmer, 712; Meixell, 800; VanEmberg, 663; Golden, 636; Barton, 600; Forster, 861; Ashinger, 535.

Schoch fell asleep on his bicycle, tumbled off and had to be carried to his room. His trainers said he was not badly hurt and would be out again after a short rest.

FOOTBALL.

VICTORIA V. PORTLAND.

The Victoria Rugby football team, under the care of Capt. Fraser, left Victoria by the City of Kingston on Saturday morning en route for Portland to play against the Rugby team of the Multnomah Athletic club on Christmas day. As the game was an international one, it was the first exhibition of the Rugby play ever given in Portland and some of the best American collegiate players were taking part in it. Naturally there was a very keen interest taken in the event. The enthusiastic way in which the play was from time to time applauded by the numerous spectators goes to prove that the Americans were more than pleased with the English Rugby game.

Owing to recent heavy rainfalls the ground was in poor condition, which made it impossible for anything like brilliant play on the part of the back divisions of the teams. But to make up for this the forwards on both teams gave an excellent exhibition of the game.

Too much cannot be said in praise of the manner in which the visitors were received during their stay in Portland. They were met by a contingent from the Multnomah club on their arrival on Saturday night, and from that time until their departure on Tuesday morning were entertained in every conceivable manner, the Multnomah club premises being placed at their disposal. After the match on Monday evening the players were tendered a banquet at the Hotel Portland. In the event of Portland coming to Victoria for a return match no doubt the Victoria boys will not be behind in hospitality and will thus keep up the sportsmanlike feeling between the two cities.

"SWEETHEARTS AND WIVES,"

Mothers and sisters must be remembered at Xmas, and there is nothing so suitable as the "rings, jewels, gauds, conceits," such as Pennock & Lowe, the jewellers, are showing and at such moderate prices.

Cadboro School Christmas Tree.

The residents of Cadboro district held their annual Christmas tree in the school house on Saturday evening. Several of the ladies of the section worked very hard to make the evening's entertainment a success, and now have the satisfaction of knowing that their labor was not in vain, for at half past 7 every seat was occupied and before the entertainment commenced standing room could scarcely be had. The teacher, A. Galbraith, with the assistance of his pupils, had the school room nicely decorated with evergreens, but the great central attraction was the Christmas tree, the branches of which were creaking under their load of presents for the children. At 8 o'clock the chair was taken by Geo. Deans, secretary of the trustee board, who after a few opening remarks announced the programme. The first part of the programme consisted of a number of recitations and dialogues, which were furnished by the pupils in a very creditable manner. This was followed by a number of songs, instrumental music by Miss Lee and Miss Martin of Victoria and club swinging by Miss Shrapnel. Tea was then provided by the ladies of the section. The evening's programme came to a pleasant conclusion with the distribution of the presents by Santa Claus, when enthusiasm among the children was at its highest and all went home happy.

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POPE LEO ON THE BIBLE.

Wants the Sources of Revelation More Abundantly Opened.

Baltimore, Dec. 16.—The Pope's latest encyclical, dated Rome, Nov. 18th, 1893, has been received by Cardinal Gibbons. In summarizing it, the cardinal said:

"It strongly recommends the earnest study of the sacred scriptures to clergymen and students, and the study of eastern languages—those in which the text was originally written—with a view to the better understanding of the text of the scriptures in order to meet the objections of adversaries.

"The encyclical is entitled 'On the Study of the Holy Scriptures,' and it covers forty-three quarto pages of Latin. It starts from the Catholic view that supernatural revelation is vouchsafed to mankind, both in unwritten tradition and in holy scripture; that is to say 'Books composed under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, whose author is the Lord, and which as such were given to the church itself,' as contained in the Old and New Testament.

"Leo XIII. exhorts the priesthood of the Catholic church, and in particular its patriarchs, primates, archbishops and bishops, to whom the pontifical epistle is addressed, to study the Bible. Two principal reasons impel the Pope to take this step. The one is his desire to see 'this glorious source of revelation more safely and more abundantly opened for the use of the Lord's flock.' The other is his unwillingness to 'tolerate that the same should in any way be violated by those who either by impious daring openly attack the sacred writings or imprudently are scheming new and fallacious doctrines.'

"He refers his readers to II. Timothy, iii., 16-17:

"'All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness; that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

"The encyclical says that this is God's intention is proved by the examples of Christ and the apostles. Jesus, the writer shows, was in the habit of appealing to the Bible for His own legitimation and divine origin. In instructing His disciples, He led them to the same fountain. Holy scripture was His weapon and defense against the attacks of Pharisees and Sadducees, and against Satan himself. The scripture He taught and interpreted up to His very end and after His resurrection until He ascended to heaven.

"The same means, says the Pope, were those used by the apostles, and the same was their ways of propagating Christian faith and doctrine.

"He then goes on to add the examples and sayings of the fathers of the Christian church. He refers to the words of Hieronymous, who declares that to 'ignore the scriptures is ignoring Christ,' and who calls him who is 'fortified by testimony of the sacred writings' a bulwark of the church. The writer warns the preachers of the whole Catholic church against preferring to use their own rather than God's word and wisdom and severely inveighs against the abuse and lack of biblical study and research. The Catholic church, he contends, at all times and by the best laws and institutions, has taken care never to leave the heavenly treasures which the Holy Ghost has given so liberally to man, neglected or concealed. In the long succession of popes and ecumenical councils, priests and teachers of the church, Leo XIII. discovers only one long series of enunciations of the fundamental doctrine of the church and the study of the sacred scriptures must form the foundation of all preaching and teaching, faith and dogma.

"About twenty pages are filled with the searching of the scriptures in the special regulations and provisions for Catholic schools, academies and seminaries according to the requirements of the times and the importance of this department of study. The Pope consels a more prudent and careful selection in the choice of the teachers and professors of this important discipline. He then lays down certain detailed rules for a thorough and scientific course of biblical interpretation, which ought to be both comprehensive and profound. Adopting the Vulgata, or recognized Latin version of the bible as the true and generally accepted text book, Leo XIII., upon the endorsement of St. Augustine, advises the use and study of the Greek and Hebrew originals of the New and Old Testaments respectively.

"In what follows the dogma of the church is considered subject to its verification by the bible and the authority of God's revelation in it, as interpreted by the divinely ordained sacerdotal faculty of ecclesiastical teachers. These must be well versed in Oriental and classical lore and languages. They ought to study the more ardently and acquire the more of secular as well as religious wisdom, the more the signs of the time; and the advance of secular learning and scientific research sternly demand the apologetic exertion of the defensors of the Christian faith, and a keener, critical acumen, sharpened by a stricter and more assiduous application to historical and linguistic studies.

"The apparent conflict between biblical doctrine and the discoveries of modern science, faith and knowledge is referred to and denied. Natural and supernatural revelation, the God of creation and the Lord of Salvation, do not contradict each other. Besides, says Leo, with St. Augustine, it must be remembered that the sacred writers, or rather 'God's spirit, who spoke through them, did not intend to teach men things that were of no use for their salvation.' The writer confirms constantly his assertion and pontifical admonitions by concurrent quotations from the fathers and decrees of the church, and after an eloquent peroration concludes his encyclical."

Traits of the Parisian Belle.

The genuine French woman of society is rarely beautiful. She is always more or less fascinating. Like the French nobleman she is tall, lithe, intelligent, appreciative of art, with much delicacy of feeling, and has either very strong, almost bigoted, principles or none at all. As there is no possibility for the development of love before marriage, the most natural of all human passions is apt to assert its power long after the excitable young French woman has contracted an alliance with some "unsympathetic fellow," and it needs much character and very solid virtues to resist the courtship of enterprising French noblemen who swarm around young brides with the scepticism of true libertines. Women of strict principles, who have not become nuns on leaving schools, and who have had the courage to stand the current of youth and passion, lead, after marriage, for the most part, lives of silent domestic martyrdom. Those who have rather loose morals, and they are perchance the greater number, seem to have a pretty good time of it, and spend their golden years "trompant leurs maris" with vengeance, while they bring up their children with the greatest severity on a system of blindfold ignorance. In fact the cool way French women have of being immoral without giving up going to church on Sunday is a mystery. One sister will be a Carmelite and the other will accept the homage of half a dozen admirers. Yet both have been educated in the same convent; both have shared the same life till the age of 18, when the gay, laughing blonde entered a religious order, and the dark, almond-eyed sister sought the marriage tie for the sole purpose of securing freedom.—Marquise de San Carlos in North American Review.

The Siberian Railway.

Our consul at St. Petersburg, in his last report, gives the details of a scheme for constructing a railway across Siberia, which was decided on in December last. It is to be built consecutively in three sections or stages. The work is to commence with the first section, on the completion of which the second will be taken in hand. The third will proceed when the other two are completed. The first, or Western Siberian section, will extend from Tcheliabinsk to the river Obi, a length of 8855 miles; thence to the town of Irkutsk, a distance of 1169 miles. Simultaneously with the building of this portion of the line the work now in progress on the Vladivostock-Grafsky section will be continued and the construction of a line connecting the Ural mining and Siberian trunk line with Ekaturinburg will be commenced. This portion of the work is to be completed not later than 1900. The second stage will consist in the construction of the portions of the projected line which extend from Grafsky to Kabarovka, 195 miles, and from the station of Mysovskoi, the starting point of the railway on the other side of the Baikal lake to Strestinsk, a distance of about 673 miles. In the third and final stage will be constructed the Circum-Baikal portion, 195 miles, and the section from Stretinsk to Kabarovka, a length of about 1333 miles. In this manner the trunk Siberian line starting from Tcheliabinsk and terminating at Kabarovka, will extend over a length of about 4487 miles. The cost of the construction of the first section is estimated at £15,000,000, this sum including the cost of connection with the Ekaturinburg line. The money assigned will be paid yearly in sums not exceeding £4,000,000. In connection with the Siberian railway the consul says it is interesting to note that the sea route to the Yenissei will be utilized for the purpose of conveying along the railway materials for the new line. The materials will be carried by vessels starting from Russian ports to the mouth of the Yenisseï, from which point they will be transported to Krasnoyarsk in barges towed by powerful tugs.—London Times.

Gladstone in 1886.

Sir Richard Temple, in his "Life in Parliament," writing of the memorable session of 1886, at a point just before the introduction of the first Home Rule Bill, says: "The salient feature was the impressive personality of Mr. Gladstone himself, which was quite the figure head in this parliament. Naturally he was no longer the handsome man, with a beautiful voice, who had been wont to charm a listening senate. But still his aspect was nobly picturesque, and when under excitement he was grandly leonine. Advanced age has left its traces on him outwardly and had impaired his matchless powers of elocution. The once resonant voice often would become husky, and at times almost inaudible, so that his oratory sank and fell with a cadence like the wind. But his persuasiveness for many minds remained in its highest degree. His impassioned gesture seemed to be quite unimpaired; it could not conceivably have ever been finer than it was in these days. When excited in speech he would swing his arm round like the sweep of a scimitar, and yet with a movement both graceful and appropriate. His hands too, were most expressive, and by their motion or action helped him to enforce arguments. Above all, there was the play of features in the careworn countenance. Evidently he was in the highest sense of the term, one of nature's actors. It would be no disparagement of him to say that had he by accident of birth or fortune betaken himself to the stage, he would have been one of the greatest tragedians of modern times."

Female Enfranchisement.

Downtrodden and oppressed woman is emancipating herself from the thraldom of countless centuries. No longer does she recognize the right of a husband, as laid down in the law of England, "modicum castigationem adhibere," with a stick not thicker than a finger. Not much. On the contrary, she has gone into the castigationem business herself, without the modicum. Mrs. Adler, of Brighton, Iowa, is the most advanced apostle of the correction of husbands thus far heard from. Mr. Adler found fault with the biscuits the other morning or complained of the coffee or otherwise made himself disagreeable. Did Mrs. Adler sit down and have a good cry and promise to do better? Not to any great extent. She reached for Mr. Adler, gathered him under her wing, threw him into a well 40 feet deep, cast a few bushels of stone on him, and then, loading up the family fowling-piece, filled him so full of birdshot that he looked like the tattooed man at the dime museum. She then went away and neighbors drew Adler forth from the pit. Mrs. Adler is in jail, but the sheriff hands her meals into her cell on the tines of a pitchfork and the women of Brighton are going to nominate her for mayor of the town at the next election and they will see that she is elected.—Chicago Herald.

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STATIONS.	No. 1 Passenger Daily.	No. 3 Passenger Saturdays.	Miles from Wellington.
VICTORIA	Ar. 12.10 P.M.	Ar. 2.30 P.M.	
HOLSOLAH	12.20	2.40	9
COLWOOD	12.40	2.55	14
GOLDSTREAM	12.45	3.00	17
SHAWNIGAN LAKE	1.15	3.25	23
COBBLE HILL	1.30	3.40	28
McPHERSON'S	1.37	3.47	31
KOKSILAH	1.42	3.52	33
DUNCANS	1.57	4.07	40
CHEMAINUS	2.26	4.36	56
OYSTER BAY SIDING	2.41	4.51	64
NANAIMO	Ar. 3.05 P.M.	Ar. 5.15 P.M.	75
WELLINGTON	Lv. 3.10 P.M.	Lv. 5.20 P.M.	78

NORTH BOUND (READ DOWN).

STATIONS.	No. 2 Passenger Daily.	No. 4 Passenger Saturdays.	Miles from Victoria.
WELLINGTON	Lv. 8.00 A.M.	Lv. 10.00 A.M.	
NANAIMO	8.05	10.05	3
OYSTER BAY SIDING	8.24	10.24	11
CHEMAINUS	8.39	10.39	19
DUNCANS	9.07	11.07	35
KOKSILAH	9.22	11.22	42
McPHERSON'S	9.27	11.27	44
COBBLE HILL	9.34	11.34	49
SHAWNIGAN LAKE	9.47	11.47	55
GOLDSTREAM	10.05	12.05	64
HOLSOLAH	10.10	12.10	67
COLWOOD	10.15	12.15	70
VICTORIA	Ar. 10.30 A.M.	Ar. 12.30 P.M.	81

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COOK STREET WILL BE COMPLETED

Providing the Loan Is Not All Used Before it is Reached—Pemberton Bequest—Two Claims for Damages Presented—Accounts Passed.

The city council had only a short session last night, adjourning at 9.55 o'clock. Mayor Beaven and Ald. Baker, Bragg, Henderson, McKillican, Munn, Robertson and Styles were present.

The by-law to change the name of a portion of the Saanich road and to authorize the affixing of the new street signs was re-considered, adopted and finally passed.

The finance committee presented a report recommending the appropriation of $4,519.12 out of the general revenue. It was favorably acted upon.

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A report from the finance committee amounting to $26.26, and a requisition of $3,136 from the school trustees were passed.

Margaret Winter wrote claiming damages for a broken shaft, the result of an accident to her son while driving on Marvin's hill, where the city workmen had failed to put lights on a barricade. The bill enclosed could not be made out. The matter went to the school trustees, who have charge of the work. H. D. Helmcken, who had an accident at the same place, wrote asking for damages. In disposing of the latter letter the city engineer was directed to act in connection with the trustees.

F. B. Pemberton wrote informing the council of a bequest of $3,000 for a gymnasium at the central school left by his father, the late Joseph D. Pemberton. A resolution of thanks was passed, and a copy of it will be sent to Mr. Pemberton.

The tenders for stone walks across Fort street, Broad street and Cormorant street were opened. There were two, J. E. Phillips at $2.95 per running foot, and Frederick Adams at $3 per running foot. It was explained that the requisition passed did not call for sufficient money, but the street committee will let the contract to the lowest tenderer, will build one sidewalk and put in a new requisition.

The street committee presented a report recommending a number of improvements in the department. They were all favorably acted upon. Ald. Munn called the attention of the street committee to the number of complaints at the condition of streets where sewers were being put in. He did not know what the terms of the contracts were, but he believed it should be seen to that the contractors be required to put them in better condition.

Ald. Bragg said that the work had been delayed until the rain set in, and it was hard to avoid the present state of affairs. What Ald. Munn had said was true, but it was impossible to do better. The work should begin in the dry season. They did not have the men or the rock to fix the streets up.

Ald Styles said the contractors were bound by agreement to put the streets in the old order. Not a street had been taken over, and until that was done the street committee were powerless to act. It would be unwise to attempt to aid the contractors in putting the streets in shape. He believed streets should be closed during sewer construction.

Ald. Baker wanted to know what the rock crusher was doing. At Blanchard and Pembroke a number of hundred yards of rock had been taken out, yet it had not been crushed. He believed that if figured out the cost of the stone taken out on Belcher street would prove interesting.

Ald. Styles said that funds had not been available until a short time ago. Now the work was going steadily ahead.

Thomas Earle and 27 others wrote asking for an extension of the sidewalk now being put down to Fowl bay. It was referred to the street committee.

Ald. Munn's motion to authorize the letting of the contract for the surface drain along Superior street and the preparation of plans for the extension of Cook street drain to the sea was taken up. Ald. Munn said he had been told by the chairman of the sewerage committee that funds were available.

Ald. Baker said he wanted a report from the city engineer, and Mayor Beaven said he had a report from the city engineer to the effect that funds to complete both were not available.

Ald. McKillican said that Cook street should be extended first and the Superior street drain afterwards. He moved an amendment to that effect and Ald. Styles seconded it.

Ald. Henderson did not agree with the aldermen. Here they were going to build a sewer out into the country, where there were no houses, while a thickly settled district where surface water backed up into the houses was going to be neglected. There was nearly money enough for both, and an open drain could be run from the end of Cook street. The water which at present collects from the latter drain could do no harm.

Ald. Munn urged that action be taken. The present council was dealing with the surface drainage question, and should complete it. He believed that there was money enough available.

Ald. Henderson explained that only part of James Bay contract No. 2 had been carried out. The Oswego street part had been built, but owing to the approach of winter the city engineer had not begun on the San Juan section.

The amendment was lost, and after further debate the original motion was carried.

What Sovereign Says.

Philadelphia, Dec. 26.—General Master Workman Sovereign, of the Knights of Labor, to-day issued an official statement, in which he outlines the course he will pursue. He says the order must put its principles into the statutes of the country and make them part of the practice of society. He continues: "Everywhere is starvation and death, while corporate greed and avaricious money lords apply the arrogant lash with relentless fury, and congress, like a wooden god looks down in silent contempt upon the miseries of the most patriotic and industrious people the world ever knew. With these conditions confronting the people everywhere, if we cannot permeate society with a healthy public opinion on the subject of labor and force the adoption of our principles we deserve defeat." The General Master Workman further says that he feels warranted in asserting that civil liberty in this country will die within the next seven years unless the Knights of Labor or some like organization comes to the rescue. He then shows that according to the eleventh census the increase is about $770,000,000 in wealth per year, while the interest charges exceed $1,500,000,000 per annum. "Do not mistake it for delusions," he concludes, "or the lack of public confidence. It is the jingle of the shackles that is always heard by the nation that forces the transaction of business on debt and credit and robs labor of the fruit of its toil to pay the interest."

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Two Lincoln Stories.

Senator and Secretary Seward—or, as his friends generally called him, "the governor"—like all good citizens, went home to vote, and the night before election made it a rule to have a "familiar talk with his neighbors." The familiar talk was always a carefully prepared and instructive speech—at least his own party thought so—which appeared in the papers all over the country the next morning. During the war he usually travelled in a private car, often with no company but his colored servant. Once he invited the pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Auburn, the Rev. Dr. Hawley, and three venerable elders of the same church to return to Washington with him as his guests as well as en route. One of the first things to entertain his friends was, of course, to take them to see the president. He introduced them in his formal way, not omitting in either case the title and the denomination to which he belonged. That "reminded" Mr. Lincoln, and he said:

"When I was a young man living in ——, a little town in the state of Illinois, there was but one church in the town, and that was a Presbyterian. There were a few Universalists in the town, who once in a while held a meeting in the school house. One Sabbath during the service in the church some one came up the aisle and handed the pastor a notice and quickly retired. While the hymn was being sung the minister looked at the notice. He had never been asked to give such a notice before; but by the time the long hymn was ended he was ready. He got up and said: "Brethren and sisters, I have been requested to give notice here to-day that a set of people who believe in universal salvation will hold a meeting next Lord's day in the red school house in the northeast district. But, brethren, we believe better things!"

Dr. Hawley told me the story at the time, and I have never seen it in print.

Mr. Seward was an Episcopalian, and this story is told: On one of the occasions when President Lincoln's patience was tried by a self-appointed adviser who got warm and used strong language, Mr. Lincoln interrupted him by saying, "You are an Episcopalian, aren't you?" and when asked why he thought so, said: "You swear just like Seward, and he is." That was Mr. Lincoln's way of getting rid of such advisers.

Italy's Poverty.

Italy's poverty is attributable in a great measure to the lack of private initiative on the part of the Italian people. Italy was in the past too much governed, either for good or ill. In Naples and Sicily the tyranny of Bomba and his predecessors utterly destroyed the power of initiative. If to lift your hand to help yourself, and to be busy, self-reliant and independent is to be per se suspect, and probably leads to your ruin, you very soon lose the desire or the power to initiate, and instead wait to see what the government will do.

It was the same in the well-governed Grand Duchies. People in Tuscany were so well looked after, "patted down," and coddled that they lost the use of their mental sinews. There has of course been a great reaction from this timidity and lack of push since the unification of Italy, and a large section of the community now seem as energetic as if they were Frenchmen of Germans. But though the visible population may seem energetic and capable of working out their own salvation, the invisible population, which is twenty times more numerous, is still utterly incapable of making strong or decided movements on its own account. It is capable of working and does work hard at its appointed toil, but it has not yet felt that touch of hopeful energy which is the true philosopher's stone, and turns all things to gold.

The great mass of the Italian population goes on its way, not sad—the people are naturally joyous—but with the belief that not much beyond daily sustenance is to be got out of work. Their delight is in fireworks and the sunshine and the festa, not in getting on and "making things hum" in business. In a word, Italy is like a man who has been paralyzed and has partially recovered. The brain is quite active and the arms have their full vigor, but the lower limbs still move with difficulty and uncertainty. Ultimately, no doubt, the legs and the rest of the body will recover as completely as the arms; but till they do the man is weak.—The Spectator.

A Toronto lady says: "I have tried a great many remedies but never found one to give me so much relief as Eseljay's Liver Lozenges. I would not be without them." They are sold at 25c a box at druggists.

A LETTER FROM ENGLAND.

Influenza, Small Pox, Hurricane, Etc.—The Oldest Oddfellow.

(From our own Correspondent.)

Sheffield, Dec. 9.—How serious influenza has become in London is shown by the registrar-general's return. The deaths directly ascribed to it last week were more than double the week preceding. In the last four reports the numbers have been 20, 22, 36, 74. Even these totals include only a fraction probably of the deaths caused by the epidemic.

Smallpox continues to exist in many parts of the United Kingdom, and in some districts it is very bad. A second serious outbreak has been reported at North Kensington, London. The epidemic broke out at a house at which none of the family have ever been vaccinated.

A pathetic letter is printed by the Scotsman. It is from the Rev. James Rankin, and it tells the story of the ravages of the recent hurricane in Drummond Castle woods. The fallen forest giants lay athwart the high road in such numbers that it was impossible even for pedestrians to pass, and in one place, over a stretch of open country, they were like "great dead men on a wide field of battle." The storm, he declares, was five or six times as destructive as all the storms put together that he had ever witessed. At the head of Drummond loch there is a hill which was finely wooded, but is now on its north and east face absolutely flattened, "as if a great tree roller had passed over it." A census of trees blown down has been obtained from the foresters of the seventy-five estates in Perthshire and Forfarshire, and they find that the approximate number is 1,448,341!

Bill Sikes & Co. are grumbling terribly to-day. London ain't the place it was, and another "pore" workingman will have to join the "unemployed" or seek occupation elsewhere. For an order has been issued that the night police shall carry revolvers, and the burglar will now run a very good chance of being done by as he does.

The honor of being the "oldest Oddfellow in the world" is claimed by Mr. John Hill, of Derby, who if he lives until Christmas will have been a member of the Manchester Unity for seventy years. Born at Alfreton February 28, 1803, he was initiated into the Prince Edwin lodge at Christmas, 1823, and transferred to the Spring of Love lodge, Derby, in 1842.

These are hard times at the bar, and something of a flutter has been excited by the news that steps are to be taken to check the tendency that has been growing lately—not only among the briefless—to take up cases, as a certain class of solicitors do, on chance, that is to say, the payment of counsel's fees being conditional upon a favorable verdict being secured.

Sir Edwin Arnold, who is now living in a flat, says that he never ties himself to any residence for more than six months at a stretch. He loves change. He has never reproved or chidden any of his children, and of his wives he fondly says: "I have been happy with them twice, and both the ladies who did me the honor to live with me (one for twelve and the other for twenty-one years) were exceedingly happy and contented women."

The members of Christ Church college, Oxford, who intended attending the ball given at Blenheim palace this week to celebrate the coming of age of the Duke of Marlborough, were not allowed to do so except under conditions which they declined to accept. In the small hours of the morning they gave vent to their indignation by painting the doors of several of the Dons' residences, the paints used showing a variety of colors, whilst on the pavement outside the cathedral was painted in large letters, "God Bless Marlborough; d—— the Dons!" A large patch of coloring was also placed on the statue of Dean Liddell.

Mr. Almond, the head master of Loretto school, from whence some of the most brilliant exponents of football have hailed, makes the statement that £1,000,000 is spent annually on paying professional footballers and £5,000,000 in gate money.

The mayors of the leading boroughs have received a circular stating that a committee consisting of about twenty-five members of parliament and the same number of representative gentlemen has been formed in response to wishes expressed at various public meetings for the pupose of promoting a scheme for holding in London during 1896 or 1897 an international exhibition on the largest possible scale.

Although the Prince of Wales has been Grand Master of the order of Free Masons for nineteen years, he did not attend the consecration of a lodge until last week, when he presided at the ceremony of inaugurating the new institution at Chancery Bar. This lodge was instituted for the convenience of members of the Inns of Court practicing in the chancery division of the high court of justice. The hall in which the ceremony was performed was filled with a large and distinguished company. A half dozen peers and nearly all the great legal luminaries were present.

The steamer Snowdrop, which left Liverpool landing stage yesterday (December 8th) at 7.30 a.m., reached Solford (Manchester) docks at 3 p.m. having traversed the whole length of the Manchester ship canal without any delay. The trip, which was taken in order that the directors might make their inspection, is described as having been a complete success.

It is not generally known that during this month Madame Adelina Patti will celebrate the thirty-fourth anniversary of her first appearance before the public. Mme. Patti made her operatic debut in New York as Lucia. She was then sixteen years of age, and as queen of the world of song has held undisputed supremacy for a third of a century. Recently when I saw her appear here there were hundreds who were unable to gain admission.

Quite a sensation has been caused in literary circles through the sudden death of Professor Tyndall, professor of natural philosophy, at the age of 73. At the inquest it transpired that his death was caused accidentally, his wife giving him a dose of chloral instead of sulphate of magnesia.

JOHN HALL.

ALL SORTS.

Canon Farrar is about to put up in St. Margaret's church, London, of which he is rector, a small but beautiful memorial to the late Dr. Phillips Brooks. Canon Farrar says that he needs only £30 in addition to what he has already collected for the memorial.

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Mrs. Littledale, accompanied by her husband, has just completed the most adventurous journey ever undertaken by a woman. Starting from Constantinople in January last, she had crossed the entire continent of Asia, including Russian Tartary, Kashgar, the Pamirs, Thibet and Western China to Shanghai. The journey was undertaken from a love of exploration and sport, and, unlike other trips of this character, will not be followed by the publication of a book of travels.

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Ore is going into Kaslo at the rate of 25 tons per day.

Fourteen men are building a trail to the Surprise mine.

It is rumored that George Hughes has bought the Idaho mine.

There are 2600 sacks of ore awaiting shipment at the Freddie Lee mine.

It is stated that a party of C. P. R. surveyors are running lines up Sandon creek.

S. P. Tuck has been appointed city clerk of Kaslo in the place of the late H. Anderson.

Ten teams are engaged hauling freight from the end of the R. & A. L. railroad to the head of the lake.

R. E. Lemon has refused the offer of a half interest in the Rico mine for an equal share in a small townsite he owns on Sandon creek.

A movement is on foot in town to present a solid gold watch to W. Sampson, the representative here of the Nakusp & Slocan railway comany.

T. Mowbray departed for Asheroft on Sunday for all winter. He has secured a contract to haul a large quantity of sluice piping into the Cariboo country for a leading placer mining company, and this will take him several months.

Hugh Mann is over from New Denver. He reports business humming throughout the mountains, all the mines working full shifts getting out ore for shipment. He expects to get the contract to haul 1000 tons from the Jackson group this winter.

The Lytton came in from the south on Tuesday after a week's absence. While at Robson the bottom of her hull was sheathed with sheet iron to enable her to break through the ice at the Narrows during the winter. She brought but little freight, few passengers and no mail.

Several of the citizens were made the victims of a practical joke on Sunday night. They were informed that a party wished to see them at the Prospect House and upon arrival there were presented to a snow man. One of the victims revenged himself by emptying his revolver into the figure.

The Surprise, in the Best basin, and one of the finest properties in the country, has been sold to Chicago parties for $30,000. Half of this this amount was paid down and the remainder will be paid in 30 days. The lucky owners of this mine are Russell & Jenkins. Alexander Smith of Kaslo engineered the deal.

SUSPECTED MURDER.

A Howe Sound Tragedy—Paring Down Civic Wages.

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—The body of an Indian woman, supposed to have been murdered at Howe Sound, was brought down last night on the steamer Swan, which had a narrow escape from being driven ashore at the entrance to the Narrows owing to the propeller dropping off. The coroner's jury met to-day, ordered a post mortem and adjourned.

Ald. Brown last night gave notice of motion to discharge all civic employes getting $2.50 a day and ask for applications at a new scale of wages.

Fireman George Evans broke his leg on Wednesday while going through drill.

The Hawaiian Revolution.

Washington, Dec. 27.—The sub-committee on foreign relations, charged with the inquiry into Hawaiian affairs, met this morning at the capitol. Senator Butler was absent.

Rev. Emerson of Hawaii was the first witness called. He told the committee he had spent nearly 45 years in the Hawaiian islands, was well acquainted with King Kalakaua and described many stirring events in the troubled reign of that potentate. He was at Honolulu during the revolution and told about the events attending it. He was at Honolulu at the time of the overthrow of the Queen. He is said to have testified that there were threats to harm individuals, and that people were fearful of attempted outrages and incendiarism. For this reason and for the purpose of protecting Americans and their property, Emerson said the United States marines and sailors were brought ashore. He was positive they took no part in the overthrow of the queen and lent no aid to the men who established the provisional government. Emerson paid a high tribute to the men at the head of the provisional government, saying they were men of honor and integrity. After some further testimony, the senate committee on foreign relations adjourned until next Tuesday.

The Winter Carnival.

Quebec, Dec. 27.—As a feature of the coming winter carnival here it is proposed to hold a grand caribou hunt on the ice in the harbor. The idea is to pen a dozen or more of these deer in front of the city, letting the local nimrods hurat them down in canoes or otherwise.

A Panic-Stricken Audience.

Madrid, Dec. 27.—A large audience gathered in the Royal opera house last night. While waiting for the performance to begin a rumor was circulated that anarchists intended to commit a bomb outrage. In less time than it takes to tell the whole audience, in a panic, rushed from the house. The excited manner in which the people fled caused the report to circulate that the explosion had occurred. As the news spread the population of the whole city became intensely excited. Many flocked to the opera house and soon the streets in that locality were jammed. Finally it was announced that the report was untrue and the people dispersed.

It is now said the absence of the queen regent, who intended to be present at the opera house last night, caused the report that anarchists intended to blow up the place. It is said the latter threatened to blow up the opera house when some member of the royal family was present, and the queen remained away on the advice of the governor of the city.

AMERICAN NEWS NOTES

Daily Chronicle of Events in the Great Republic.

Trenton, N.J., Dec. 27.—The United States Cordage company, which has risen from the ashes of the National Cordage Company, begins business to-day. According to its new charter, under the laws of New Jersey, it starts with a capital stock amounting to $34,000,000.

New York, Dec. 27.—C. P. Huntington says the talk of a receiver for the Southern Pacific railway is nonsense; the company's floating debt which is earning more than its interest charges, is not in default. To-day the company advertises that interest will be paid in full on all Southern Pacific and Central Pacific bonds.

Haverhill, Mass., Dec. 27.—John O'Neill, living at Rockville, Mass., killed his wife this morning by chopping off her head with an axe.

Albany, Dec. 27.—Application for the appointment of a receiver for the New York & New England railroad was filed with Judge Wallace in the United States court to-day.

New York, Dec. 27.—The monitor Miantonomoh has been ordered to proceed to Trinidad to-morrow morning. It is intimated that from Trinidad the Miantonomoh will go to Rio.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—The San Francisco Bridge company, John McMullon, president, assigned to the sheriff this morning. Liabilities, $175,000; assets not stated. The Bridge Company has a contract for the foundations of the Union depot, which is to be erected at the corner of Market street in this city at a cost of $700,000.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Chas. O. Somers, the recaptured train robber, has left here in charge of officers for Missippi, en route to the penitentiary whence he made his escape. He is the son of the late Dr. Somers, who practiced medicine in this city ten years ago, and states he came here to study medicine and endeavor to live a quiet and honest life. He says he will serve out the remainder of his term, and trusts the authorities will not increase his sentence because of his escape.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—Emil Klaus, the man whose head was cut open with a hatcher early on Christmas morning, has identified Charles Ewen, a stableman and roustbout at Curtain's sailors' boarding house, as the person who committed the assault upon him. Ewen protests his innocence, but was retained in custody pending further investigation.

GENERAL DISPATCHES.

News in Brief From Various Parts of the World.

London, Dec. 25.—A dispatch to the Times from Paris says: M. Clemenceau will publish Tuesday a letter from Toulon, declaring, despite official denials, that the man-of-war Magenta cannot keep upright, and her second trial trip has been indefinitely postponed because of the risk to 600 lives and 25,000,000 francs. The writer says the Magenta's condition calls for parliamentary inquiry.

London, Dec. 25.—A preliminary statement of the board of agriculture shows that the yield of barley is 10,000,000 bushels less than in 1892, although 40,000 more acres were planted. The yield of wheat has fallen off 9,000,000 bushels and the acreage decreased 300.

London, Dec. 25.—The Times publishes a special Berlin article on the relations of Sweden and Norway. It says there is every reason to believe that the king of Sweden is prepared to use force to maintain the union between the two countries. It is unquestionable that the Swedes, who were at first apathetic, have been aroused by the attitude of the Norwegian radicals to such a pitch of exasperation that little more might easily goad them into action. At the same time, although there is a strong military party in Sweden, the nation as a whole would think twice before it undertook risks which might entail foreign complications. Denmark has such strong sympathy with Norway that the creation of a Norwegian republic would greatly endanger the Danish dynasty, and therefore a scheme is conceived in high quarters, that if separation becomes necessary it might be feasible to place Prince Waldemar of Denmark on the throne of independent Norway to found a Norwegian dynasty. Prince Waldemar is 45 years old and has three children, all boys.

London, Dec. 27.—Dispatches received by city houses through South African merchants report that the British South African company's filibusters, under Captain Wilson, forty strong, have been killed by the Matabeles.

Turmoil in Nicaragua.

Managua, Nicaragua, Dec. 27.—The government of Nicaragua has been collecting forced war loans from American citizens resident here in violation of the treaty with the United States. Minister Baker has made a vigorous protest against such proceedings.

Policarpo Bonilla, who returned to Nicaragua on Dec. 17th, has gone to the frontier, near Somotillo, to intercept the Honduran insurgents who have invaded Honduras.

Manuel Bonilla has laid siege to Choluteca and Nicaraguan troops are massing at the north to lend assistance.

Judge—"Have you anything to offer the court before you are sentenced?" "No, your honor. My lawyer took my last shilling.

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"Did I hear you say that you have found in your mother-in-law your ideal?" "Yes, indeed; all the comments ever made on mothers-in-law apply to her."

The Krag-Jorgensen Rifle.

This new rifle for the use of the U.S. army is called the Krag-Jorgensen, after its inventors. Captain O. Krag is director of the Royal Small Arms factory in Kongsberg, Norway, where E. Jorgensen is employed as an armorer, and the gun is assumably their joint invention, but, as the United States government has obtained the consent of the inventors by the payment of a royalty on each gun it manufactures of this pattern, it is to that extent an American gun.

In point of fact there is no nationality in brains, and it is the duty and the right of every nation to avail itself of the best that the world supplies; but when at first it was proposed to adopt this new weapon for the American army there was an outcry from some unreasoning patriot because it was not an American gun, and we ought to give the preference to American inventions.

The fact that American soldiers might be at a decided disadvantage on the field of battle if that policy were pursued did not disturb these gentlemen in the least, and they were so vociferous in their demands that, although the board of army officers reported in favor of the Krag-Jorgensen rifle in 1890, and only after long and rigid tests and trials between it and rifles of American, English, German, French and other national patterns, it was decided to order another and fuller competition.

A few weeks since a second report was received from the board, recommending the adoption of the Norwegian arm in question, and at present the government arsenal at Springfield, Mass., is engaged in its manufacture. The new rifle weighs about 8 3-4 pounds, has a barrel 30 inches long, and is, stock and all, about the length of the ordinary rifle.

The size of the bore is .30, yet the small bullet, weighing but 220 grains, or 280 grains less than the one now in use, in the old gun, is propelled with a force that carries it about 4000 yards away, or through 29 one-inch planks at a distance of 2340 yards. A metallic cartridge is used, containing, besides the heel of the bullet, thirty-seven grains of smokeless powder, and the bullet leaves the muzzle with a velocity of 20,000 feet per second.

The rifle can be sighted for a shot of 2300 yards with precision, for it follows that a ball going at such force has a much flatter trajectory than that of the Springfield rifle. But this is not all; 175 of the new cartridges weigh not more than 100 of the old, and the soldier therefore carries nearly twice as much ammunition as before.

In addition to that the magazine, which holds five cartridges, can be reloaded in two seconds, and in the hands of an expert almost 40 shots a minute can be fired, and the gun can be dismounted and put together again without the use of tools. The barrel is rifled, of course, having four grooves, which make one turn in ten inches, and that part which is apt to become heated by rapid and continued firing is covered with wood so as to protect the hand.—Brooklyn Citizen.

Former Elephants.

The great northern elephant perished as a species in the prime of life. It had lived under most prosperous conditions. Its enemies were few and comparatively impotent. Alone, among contemporary animals, the sabre-toothed tiger occasionally perhaps got the better of an antagonist which must have been less sensitive to the flint-tipped arrows of mere human assailants than Ship Surgeon Galliver was to the multitudinous pricks of Lilliputian missiles.

Inexhaustible supplies of food, too, were furnished by the forests and swamps of the vast Europasian continent to the terrestrial leviathan, which accordingly multiplied and throve exceedingly. Then was the culminating epoch of the proboscidean family. Thick hided animals with tusks and tranks attained a larger size, ranged over a wider area of the earth's surface and existed more numerously and in greater variety than ever before or since.

Mammoths wandered into Ireland and Scotland, they trampled by the score through the thickets of the Weald, they roamed in great herds along the flats and valleys of Central Europe and across the endless oak-clad plains of Russia and the now barren tundras of Siberia. Italy reared elephants of its own (Elephas meridionalis); another antique species of large size (Elephas antiquus) was met with from Yorkshire to the Atlas; even Malta swarmed with pigmy elephants of two, if not three, separate kinds; while the huge mastodon was the chief representative of the genus in North and South America.—The Edinburgh Review.

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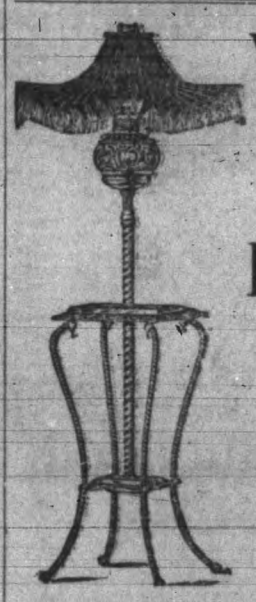

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